



# LIBRARY READER

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## Jeff High Release Party

On October 7, 2014 the library will be the site of Jeff High's release party for his latest book, *Each Shining Hour*—the second in the Watervalley Novel series.

The book is described as follows:

Welcome to the timeless charms of small-town Watervalley, Tennessee—where young Dr. Luke Bradford is beginning to feel at home...

When he comes to the aid of a woman at the grocery store, Luke is fascinated to learn she is Estelle Pillow, the cheery sister to his prickly housekeeper, Connie. Estelle wants to open a bakery in town—and Connie's disapproval of the venture stirs up a whirlwind of emotions between the siblings. But Luke's attention is soon diverted when he learns about a long-ago double murder...

During World War II, an unknown traveler arrived in town, and before the day was over, he and the local baker lay dead near the

bandstand at the local lake. The incident has since been exaggerated into Watervalley lore—with the newcomer rumored to have been a German spy. As Luke pieces together exactly what happened, he realizes that the consequences of this event have rippled painfully into the lives of townsfolk he has come to know.

As winter gives way to spring, Luke keeps busy at the medical clinic and enters a tentative, exhilarating romance. And when his support of Estelle's bakery collides with new revelations about the old murder, Luke witnesses the true power of reconciliation working in the hearts of those he holds dear—a revelation that will change his life.

About the author:

After growing up in rural Tennessee, Jeff High attained degrees in literature and nursing. He is a three time winner, in poetry and fiction, of an annual writing contest held by Vanderbilt Medical Center. He

lived in Nashville for many years, and throughout the country as a travel nurse, before returning to his original hometown, near where he now works as an operating room RN in cardiac surgery.

For more information, contact Adam Southern at (931) 375-6500.

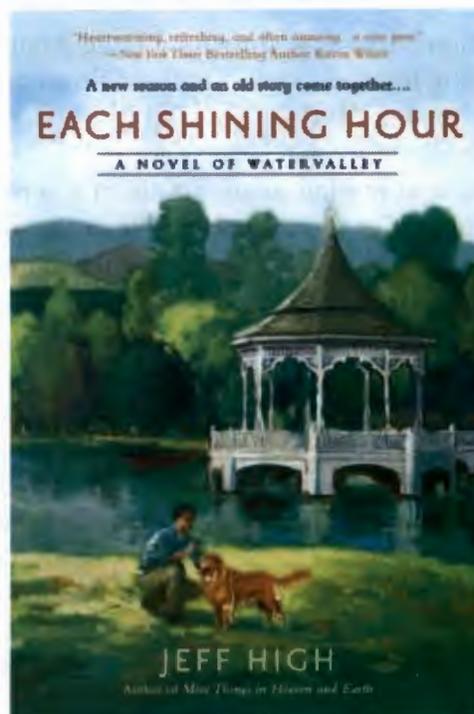
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## Maury County Public Library

211 West 8th Street  
Columbia, TN 38401  
(931) 375-6501

### Hours:

Monday	8-8
Tuesday	8-8
Wednesday	8-8
Thursday	9-5
Friday	9-5
Saturday	9-5
Sunday	Closed



Left, the cover of Jeff High's new book, *Each Shining Hour*.

Be sure to attend this wonderful event offered to you free at the Maury County Public Library

## Library Book Club

The library's book club will meet in September and October. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM.

Anyone interested in joining the library's book club should just show up, as there are no votes on membership or annual dues. If you would like to attend, come on the second Tuesday and enjoy the discussion!

For more information about the book club, contact Adam Southern at (931) 375-6500. More information can also be found on the library's website and Facebook page.

The book club offers

library patrons a great way to interact with each other and to make new friends. Bring a snack to share if you would like or maybe bring a recipe or two that seemed to go along with the book being discussed.

With the book club, patrons will discuss great books, meet new people, and, hopefully, create new and lasting friendships with other people that care about and use the Maury County Public Library.

What are you waiting for? Join the book club as soon as you can!

## Southern Stories book release

Adam Southern, the new director of the Maury County Public Library, will be releasing his new book, *Southern Stories* at the library on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 6PM.

The book is a compilation of Southern's writings for the past six years. Several of the stories are about local history, some about the library, and many more are just humorous tales told by the author.

The book is titled *Southern Stories: or Ramblings from the Dimple of the Universe*.

The book retails for \$15.00 and will be available the night of the event. The book is also available at the Old Curiosity Book Shop in Downtown Columbia. If purchased the night of the release at the library, \$5 from every copy sold will be donated to the Maury County Public Library's Elizabeth Caperton Fund to be used for library programming or materials.

For more information, contact Adam Southern at (931) 375-6500.

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www.maurycountylibrary.org*

## DATES TO KNOW

*Library Book Club Meeting  
September 9, 2014 at 6:30PM*

*Southern Stories Book Release  
Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 6PM*

*Jeff High Book Release  
Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 6PM*

*David Bell: Forgotten Girl  
Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 6PM*

*Book Club  
October 14, 2014 at 6:30PM*

*The Library will be closed  
Monday, September 1, 2014 for  
Labor Day.*

*Also, the library will be closed on  
Wednesday, September 24th for  
staff training.*

# The Forgotten Girl by David Bell

David Bell is a bestselling and award-winning author whose work has been translated into six languages. He's currently an associate professor of English at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky. He received an MA in creative writing from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and a PhD in American literature and creative writing from the University of Cincinnati. He has been nominated for the Pushcart Prize twice. His previous novels are *Cemetery Girl*, *The Hiding Place*, and *Never Come Back*.

On October 14, 2014 at 6PM, David Bell will be at the Maury County Public Library in Columbia, Tennessee to discuss and sign his new book *The Forgotten Girl* (released October 7, 2014).

The book is described as follows:

*The past has arrived uninvited at Jason Danvers's door...*

...and it's his younger sister, Hayden, a former addict who severed all contact with her family as her life spiraled out of control. Now she's clean and sober but in need of a desperate favor—she asks Jason and his wife to take care of her teenage daughter for forty-eight hours while she handles some business in town.

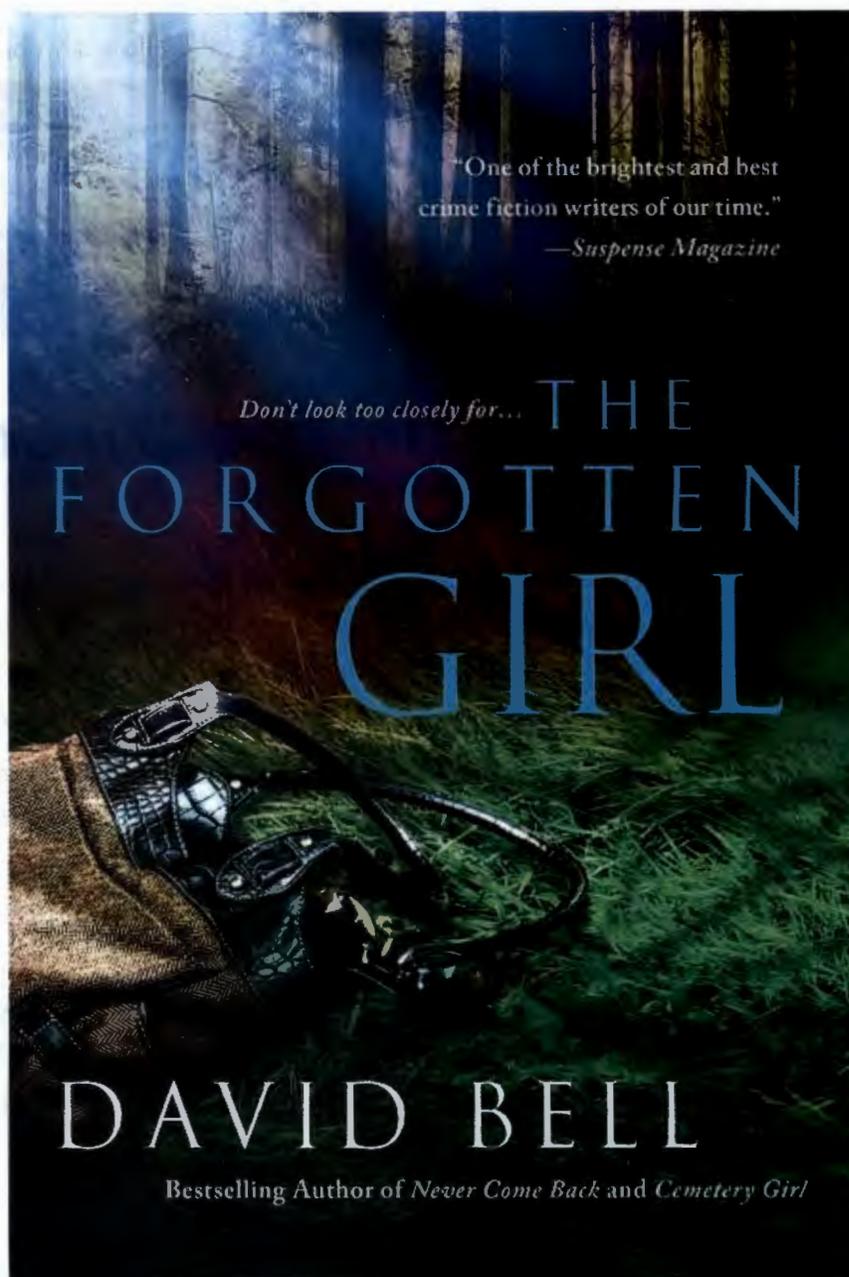
But Hayden never returns.

And her disappearance brings up

more unresolved problems from Jason's past, including the abrupt departure of his best friend on their high school graduation night twenty-seven years earlier. When a body is discovered in the woods, the mysteries of his sister's life—and possible death—deepen. And one by one these events will shat-

ter every expectation Jason has ever had about families, about the awful truths that bind them and the secrets that should be taken to the grave.

For more information about this event, contact Adam Southern at (931) 375-6500.



## Watch “Page By Page”

Page by Page is a television and web-based show that is dedicated to promoting literacy, authors, their works and words. The show is also based out of the Maury County Public Library.

Library Director Adam Southern is the anchor for the show and also serves as a producer. Ross

Jaynes, of CPWS PowerNet 13, also serves as a producer and is the director.

The show airs locally on CPWS PowerNet 13, but can also be viewed world-wide via YouTube.com.

For more information about the show, visit the show’s website:

www.pagebypageTV.com. You can also find more information by visiting Facebook.

The last interview was with James R. Knight of Franklin, Tennessee. Knight is the author of Hood’s Tennessee Campaign published by the History Press. The interview is now live on YouTube.



## Message from the Director

*Hello All!*

*It has been my privilege and honor to serve the people of Maury County and our library patrons for the past twelve years. Now, just shy of my thirteenth year of service to the library, I have been named “Library Director.” I am excited about this new opportunity and moving our library forward and making our library services and our facility even better!*

*In the weeks to come, I— along with my team— will be putting together a survey. Hopefully these surveys will be out in October. We want to know what library services you use and what services you would like to see in the future.*

*Many of you have stopped by my office and congratulated me on my new appointment. This means more to me than you will ever know. Maury County is my home. Of course, I want to make sure my home has the best library it can possibly have. I already know that we have the best patrons!*

*Please do not hesitate if you have questions or concerns about the library. My phone number is (931) 375-6500. My email is [asouthern@maurycounty-tn.gov](mailto:asouthern@maurycounty-tn.gov). You can also see me Monday-Friday at YOUR library.*

*Best wishes,  
Adam Southern, Director*