



# Humor

Bauer, Joan. **Squashed.** A sixteen-year-old pursues her two goals--growing the biggest pumpkin in Iowa and losing twenty pounds herself— while she strengthens her relationship with her father and becomes interested in a new boy at school.

Hiaasen, Carl. **Hoot.** Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.

Korman, Gordon. **Son of the Mob: Hollywood Hustle.** Eighteen-year-old Vince Luca, son of mob boss, Anthony Luca, goes away to college in southern California hoping to escape his past, but soon his brother and a series of "uncles" appear at his dorm, and before long he is caught up in criminal activity once again. (*Sequel to *Son of the Mob**)

Limb, Sue. **Girl, 15, Charming but Insane.** Fifteen-year-old Jess, living with her mum, separated from her father in Cornwall, and with a best friend who seems to do everything perfectly, finds her own assets through humor.

Lubar, David. **Dunk.** While hoping to work as a clown in an amusement park dunk tank on the New Jersey shore the summer before his junior year in high school, Chad faces his best friend's serious illness, hassles with police, and the girl that got away.

Mash, Robert. **How to Keep Dinosaurs.** Tongue-in-cheek humor guides the would-be dinosaur pet owner into the best dinosaur to choose for a guard dinosaur, to play with the children, or to ride.

Rennison, Louise. **Away Laughing on a Fast Camel: Even More Confessions of Georgia Nicolson.** The saga of teenager George Nicolson continues in diary entries about her life after her boyfriend goes off to Kiwi-agogoland, leaving her to make do without him. (Other titles in the series are *Angus, Thongs and Full Frontal Snogging: Confessions of Georgia Nicolson*, *On the Bright Side, I'm now the Girlfriend of a Sex God: Further Confessions of Georgia Nicolson*, *Knocked Out by My Nunga-Nungas: Further, Further Confessions of Georgia Nicolson*, *Dancing in my Nuddy-ponts: Even Further Confessions of*

*Georgia Nicolson, Then He Ate My Boy-entrancers: More Mad, Marvy Confessions of Georgia Nicolson, Startled by His Furry Shorts.*

Thompson, Julian. **Hard Time.** When a district attorney who is eager to make an example of a teenaged offender misrepresents an essay written by fifteen-year-old Annie Ireland, Annie, her best friend Roach Boy, and Primo, a magical being who is trapped in a doll's body, are sent first to jail then to a cross between a school and boot camp.

Available at other Washington County libraries:

Anonymous as told to Tucker Shaw. **Confessions of a Backup Dancer.** Kelly Kimball spent a summer as a backup dancer for Darcy Barnes, the biggest pop star in the world. Kelly's got the real story on Darcy, her life, her family, and her entourage - and she's spilling it here for the first time.

Friedman, Peter. **Ideal Marriage.** It is September 1957 and 16-year-old Andre, a high school junior, is contemplating becoming a gigolo, just for a summer or two in Rome, being kind to the middle-aged women who would keep him, grateful for what he might learn that he could apply to his intimate life with his future wife, and earning some money for college and eventual marriage.

Kemp, Kristen. **The Dating Diaries.** Katie James has been dating Paul for the past five years, but he dumps her right before the prom. Now she's about to see what life is like without Paul, and what it's like to date.

McGruder, Aaron. **A Right to be Hostile: The Boondocks Treasury.** The comic strip, *The Boondocks*, depicts life through the eyes of two African American kids who are full of attitude, intelligence, and rebellion.

O'Keefe, Susan Heyboer. **Death by Eggplant.** Eighth-grader Bertie Hooks has to keep his dream of becoming a world-class chef a secret, especially from his mortal enemy, Nick Dekker, and when they both get "flour-sack babies" to take care of for a week, things become even more complicated for Bertie.