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My First Radio Interview!

Bob Crittenden, host of Faith Radio's Meeting House, interviewed me in February at the Christian Products Expo. Yesterday, I discovered that the interview aired March 29. During our "conversation," my knees shook and I



forgot most of my talking points, but kind-hearted Bob covered for me. Read more about this terrifying experience in my <u>blog</u>.

Watch - 3:42 minutes

<u>Listen - 17:24 minutes</u>



DO BAD THINGS COME IN THREES?

A rough 30 days

I set a goal to publish my newsletter the first week of each month, but that didn't happen in May for a couple reasons. First, my husband tested positive for COVID halfway through our long-awaited river cruise, which had been postponed three times. After we arrived home, I tested positive. My symptoms included a runny nose and fatigue. Nothing major; just enough to squash my motivation. Second, after my surgery May 4 for a double tear in my left knee's meniscus, I spent several days in a pain-killer fog. The good news is that I'm over COVID and my knee is feeling fine. The bad news is that I received a call yesterday that my Uncle

Doug had a stroke. Two months after my father passed away, this wonderful man walked me down the aisle and gave me away to Marvin. Uncle Doug's prognosis is not good. I'd appreciate it if you would add him to your prayers.

I can do all this through him who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13

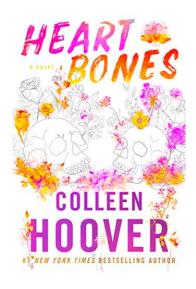
My Bookshelf

Here's what I read in April. Follow me on <u>Goodreads</u> to view how I've rated the books I've read since 2010.

The Diamond Eye, Kate Quinn [][][]
The Shop on Royal Street, Karen White [][][]
The Last Bookshop in London, Madeline Martin [][][]

Aftermath, Terri Blackstock [][][]

Heart Bones, Colleen Hoover (YA) [][]



YOUNG ADULT BOOK REVIEW

Heart Bones

It's not often that I bash a book, but this is one of those times. I'd heard good things about Colleen Hoover, so I picked up her latest young adult novel, *Heart Bones*. While the cover is cool, the inside is hot. As in racy hot. I'm so disappointed that she felt compelled to include several overly descriptive scenes. The story is a beautiful one about how two teens with similar horrifying backgrounds fall in love and learn how the real world can be a kind and trusting place. The book's audience is for older teens and new adults.

Truth!

I found this on Facebook and had a good giggle. There's always an exception to everything.

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Except when your foreign neighbor
Keith receives eight counterfeit beige
sleighs from feisty caffeinated
weightlifters.

Weird.





MAY COMMEMORATIVE DATES

Mark your calendar!

Enjoy adding these to your social media feed this month!

13: National Apple Pie Day

14: World Migratory Bird Day

15: World Baking Day

15: International Pickle Day

19: National Devil's Food Day

20: Endangered Species Day

22: Sherlock Holmes Day

25: Jill and Marvin's Anniversary

30: Memorial Day

31: National Smile Day

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