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Double-Edged Sword: The Promises and Risks of the Genetic Revolution—Karl A. Drlica. As advances in molecular genetics pervade everyday life—in the form of prenatal and postnatal identification of disease and DNA fingerprinting, for example—myriad moral, ethical, and health concerns arise. Drlica addresses these issues and explains how the concepts of germline gene therapy apply to each, in theory and in practice. Special emphasis is placed on minimizing risks while maximizing benefits, and each chapter concludes with commentary and practical ways of doing so. Originally published in hardcover in 1994. Addison-Wesley, 1996, 242 p., b&w illus., paperback, \$13.00.

The Great Dinosaur Extinction Controversy—Charles Officer and Jake Page. Despite the popularization of Luis Alvarez's impact theory of the extinction of the dinosaurs, some geologists contend it is not good science. The authors detail Alvarez's theory and how it came to be regarded as fact so quickly, even though questions about it still loomed. Officer theorizes that dinosaur extinction had more to do with volcanism in India and other environmental changes than with extraterrestrial phenomena. Addison-Wesley, 1996, 209 p., b&w photos and illus, hardcover, \$25.00.

Man to Man: Surviving Prostate Cancer—Michael Korda. Korda does an admirable job of weaving his personal feelings about prostate cancer with the wealth of information he acquired about the disease as he went through a prostatectomy. Here, he relays the facts about prostate cancer and discusses with wit and honesty many associated issues, including the possibility of impotence and incontinence. Random, 1996, 254 p., hardcover, \$20.00.

Native American Gardening: Stories, Projects, and Recipes for Families—Michael J. Cadutor and Joseph Bruchac. This book serves as an introduction to Three Sisters gardening—the traditional garden of corn, beans, and squash—and the Circles of Life, which incorporate seed preservation, natural pest control, and the cycles of nature into the harvest. Methods of planting and cultivating a garden in accordance with the yearly growing cycles are enhanced by Native American stories and activities. Fulcrum Pub, 1996, 158 p., b&w photos and illus., paperback, \$15.95.

Who Wrote the Dead Sea Scrolls? The Search for the Secret of Qumran—Norman Golb. Controversy has dogged these ancient documents since they were discovered in 1947 in the caves of Qumran. Most biblical scholars accepted the idea of Qumran as a monastery and attributed the scrolls to scribes of the small Essene sect. Golb proposed the heretical notion that Qumran was a fortress and the scrolls, actually from many Jewish sects, were hidden in the caves to protect them from the Romans. He argues his case here and details the battles for control of the scrolls. Originally published in hardcover in 1995. Touchstone, 1996, 460 p., b&w photos and illus., paperback, \$15.00.

The Year 2000 Computing Crisis: A Millennium Date Conversion Plan—Jerome T. Murray and Marilyn J. Murray. One of the most pressing concerns of the new millennium is the havoc certain to be wrought on the world's mainframes, as most are unable to fathom 2000. The Murrays explain the problem and define the algorithms and mathematical notations involved in the time computations to follow. They then assess the potential problems and provide this tool kit for addressing them on one's own computer. A diskette accompanying the book contains the book's ALC (BAL), RPG, and COBOL source languages. McGraw Hill, 1996, 321 p., b&w illus., paperback, \$39.95.

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