Contents

Introduction	5
1. The Hedge People	7
2. The Mystery Woman	12
3. A Cloth of All Trades	16
4. The Mysterious Duo	20
5. The Train from Long Beach	25
6. Nighttime Woes	30
7. The Novel	36
8. The Radio Program	42
9. My Neighbor	46
10. The "Don'tist"	51
11. Locked In, Locked Out	57
12. A Tenacious Little Dog	62
13. Choir Practice	65
14. The Edge of the Pool	72
15. The Activity Director	78
16. The Spirit Is Fine	83
17. The Juggler	88
18. Something Seems Suspicious	93
19. The Sweepstakes	98
20. Home Alone	105
21. It Seemed So Harmless	110
22. Getting It All Together	114
23. A Calculated Risk	117
24. The Final Launch	121
Epilogue	127