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### **THE HUNTER OF HERTHA**

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA. – **THE HUNTER OF HERTHA** is the second book of The Midnight Valley Quartet. It follows **NOTOWN** published in 2013 that told the story of Randi Jo Gaylor on the day she kills her husband. **THE HUNTER OF HERTHA** shows those years from Randi Jo’s first husband’s perspective. “You don’t have to have read the first book to enjoy this one,” author Tess Collins explains. “Connor has his own heroic tale though the reader might see the events in **NOTOWN** from a different and more faceted perspective.”

Tess Collins is a coal miner’s granddaughter, raised in a southeastern crater town Middlesboro, Kentucky. Her novels include: **THE LAW OF REVENGE**, **THE LAW OF THE DEAD**, **THE LAW OF BETRAYA**, **HELEN OF TROY** and **NOTOWN**. Her non-fiction book **HOW THEATER MANAGERS MANAGE** is published by Rowman and Littlefield’s Scarecrow Press. Miss Collins received a B.A. from the University of Kentucky and a Ph.D. from The Union Institute and University.

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#### **Synopsis of THE HUNTER OF HERTHA:**

Connor Herne loves the eastern Kentucky mountains. When he finds barrels of nuclear waste in a secluded hollow, he never imagines that years later his daughter will suffer the consequences. After a high school friend’s car is blown up, he can no longer ignore that people he’d trusted his entire life are murdering the land as well as anybody who gets in their way. With the help of a blue man, a country preacher, and a childhood renegade, he plots the downfall of a small town dynasty only to discover the key to his own mysterious past.

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