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Not for the Faint of Heart: Lessons in Courage, Power & Persistence by Wendy R. Sherman a. Root Hall E901.1.S537 A3 2018 “During her time as the lead US negotiator of the Iran nuclear deal and throughout her distinguished career, Sherman has amassed tremendous expertise in the most pressing foreign policy issues of our time. Throughout her life she has relied on values that have shaped her approach to work and leadership: authenticity, effective use of power and persistence, acceptance of change, and commitment to the team. Now she takes readers inside the world of international diplomacy to show why good work in her field is so hard to do-- and how we can learn to apply core skills of diplomacy to the challenges in our own lives.”

That's What She Said: What Men Need to Know (and Women Need to Tell Them) about Working Together by Joanne Lipman. Root Hall HQ1075.5.U6 L57 2018. “A recent Harvard study found that corporate ‘‘diversity training’ has actually made the gender gap worse -- in part because it makes men feel demonized. Women, meanwhile, have been told that closing the gender gap is up to them: they need to speak up, to be more confident, to demand to be paid what they're worth. They discuss these issues amongst themselves all the time. What they don't do is talk to men about it. It's time to end that disconnect. More people in leadership roles are genuinely trying to transform the way we work together, because there's abundant evidence that companies with more women in senior leadership perform better by virtually every measure. Yet despite good intentions, men often lack the tools they need, leading to fumbles, missteps, frustration and misunderstanding that continue to inflict real and lasting damage on women's careers. Filled with anecdotes, data from the most recent studies, and stories from her own journey to the top of a male-dominated industry, Joanne Lipman shows how we can win by reaching across the gender divide.”

"The Beekeeper: Rescuing the Stolen Women of Iraq" by Dunya Mikhail, Max Weiss (Translation); Root Hall DS70.8.Y49 M545413 2018 v. “Since 2014, Daesh (ISIS) has been brutalizing the Yazidi people of northern Iraq: sowing destruction, killing those who won't convert to Islam, and enslaving young girls and women. The Beekeeper, by the acclaimed poet and journalist Dunya Mikhail, tells the harrowing stories of several women who managed to escape the clutches of Daesh. Mikhail extensively interviews these women--who've lost their families and loved ones, who've been repeatedly sold, raped, psychologically tortured, and forced to manufacture chemical weapons--and as their tales unfold, an unlikely hero emerges: a beekeeper, who uses his knowledge of the local terrain, along with a wide network of transporters, helpers, and former cigarette smugglers, to bring these women, one by one, through the war-torn landscapes of Iraq, Syria, and Turkey, back into safety. In the face of inhuman suffering, this powerful work of
nonfiction offers a counterpoint to Daesh's genocidal extremism: hope, as ordinary people risk their lives to save those of others."


