

The Secret at Haney Field

A BASEBALL MYSTERY

R. M. CLARK

“The mystery weaves American history around a baseball-themed story to create an intriguing, page-turning case.”

—GET KIDS TO READ, PAT TIERNEY

“As deeply moving as Field of Dreams, . . .”

—READERS' FAVORITE, 5 STARS, BIL HOWARD

“Middle school readers ages 8-12 (especially those with an affection for both baseball and mysteries) will find The Secret at Haney Field an engrossing, involving read. Nothing is predictable, everything is tinged with baseball lore, and middle school readers will be more than drawn in by the combination of alluring storyline and protagonists who are realistic and compelling.”

—MIDWEST BOOK REVIEW, D. DONOVAN, EDITOR

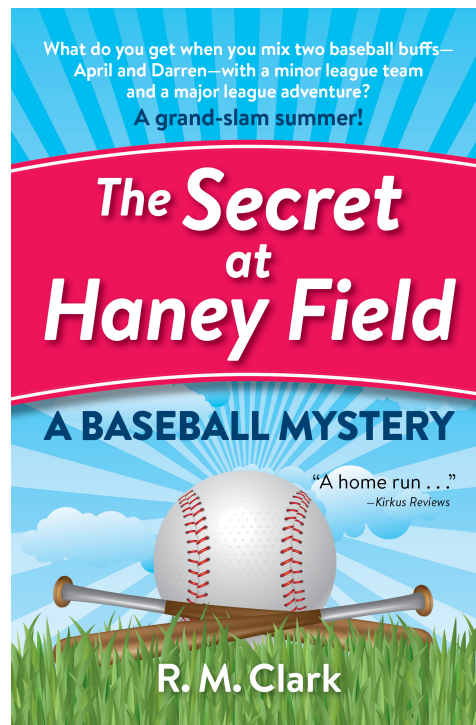
Twelve-year-old April O'Day's summer has gotten off to a flying start.

As the daughter of a former minor-leaguer, she really knows baseball. And when she wins the opportunity to be a bat retriever with her hometown's minor league team, she proves it, transforming her seven-day dream job into a summer-long adventure of runs, hits, errors . . . and a mystery to solve!

Themes:

baseball, Negro Leagues, friendships, family, fantasy, teamwork, righting past wrongs, prejudice, history

R. M. Clark spent nineteen years as a baseball coach—from T-ball to American Legion and most levels in between. It was from his typical place in the third-base coach's box that he imagined a baseball mystery told from the viewpoint of a bat girl, which developed into his middle-grade novel, *The Secret at Haney Field: A Baseball Mystery*. After graduating from the University of Idaho with a Computer Science degree, Robert moved from the Gem State to northeastern Alberta to Southern California before settling into a cozy town in Southeastern Massachusetts, where he lives today with his wife and two sons. Visit <http://www.rmclarkauthor.com>.



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