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STORIES FROM MEAT CAMP, TAMARACK
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Few scholars have explored the workings of community in the mountain South with more depth and insight than has Patricia Beaver. Here she has produced a remarkably rich collection of stories, testimonials, and reminiscences that together form a multi-faceted portrait of three neighboring Blue Ridge communities. These oral histories speak not only to the power of place and the ever-shifting social dynamic so shaped by it, but also to the power of collaboration, involving decade-long efforts by Beaver, her vast cadre of students, and the many local residents whose voices they've captured so effectively. The result is a compelling tripartite case study that contributes much to our understanding of the interplay between Appalachian culture and community, past, present, and future.

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