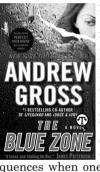


## **BOOK NEWS & NOTES**

## Suspenseful Page-Turner

(NAPSA)—Andrew Gross is no stranger to literary success. Along with James Patterson, Gross has co-authored five New York Times No. 1 best sellers, including "Judge & Jury," "Lifeguard" and "Third Degree." Yet he may be one of the most successful thriller writers whose name you don't yet know.

Gross' sensational solo debut, "The Blue Zone" (Harper paperbacks), is the riveting story of a young woman's perilous quest to uncover the dark secrets of her father's past.



Filled with rich characters and an unstoppable plot, "The Blue Zone" is a story of blood and family, deception and betrayal that explores the deadly conse-

quences when one family's tightly held secrets begin to unravel.

Gross' greatest gift to his readers is his ability to create tension, anticipation and suspense. The twists, turns and surprises jump out and grab the reader and drag him into the action.

A fast-paced, compulsively page-turning thriller that is as deeply emotional as it is exciting, the book heralds the arrival of a master of suspense in his own right. It is a wholly original and wonderfully written work that places Gross among the best of today's thriller writers.

"The Blue Zone" is available at bookstores everywhere.