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***Sequel to A Deadly Wilderness
Set for October 12 release***

No Child of Mine, the follow-up to author Kelly Irvin's well-received *A Deadly Wilderness*, will be on library shelves and available on-line beginning October 12.

The latest novel begins the day Daniel Martinez's foster son Benny Garza is kidnapped at Homicide Detective Ray Johnson's wedding reception in Helotes, Texas. In their search for Benny, Detectives Deborah Smith and Alex Luna find the bones of a little girl not far from the abduction site.

Determined to save Benny and solve a five-year-old murder, the team of investigators travel from the seamy underside of San Antonio's drug-dealing gang territory to the back roads of rural America where secrets fester in simple country homes.

Their investigation rips off the Band-aid that covers the cracks in an overburdened, understaffed foster care system and reveals the painful reality that children are all too often battered, terrified victims of the people who should love them the most. Torn between salvaging his marriage and trying to save a child he's grown to love,

Daniel fears both are slipping beyond his grasp. Deborah struggles to hang on to her new found sobriety in the face of the pressure of her job and her past, while Alex fights to get a foothold in the life of a woman who refuses to trust him or any other man.

As the two investigations become more and more entwined, Deborah, Alex, and Daniel risk everything—even their lives—to bring a little boy home and unmask a child’s murderer. This fast-paced story will keep readers turning the pages long after it’s time to turn out the lights.

Irvin is a former print journalist who spent several years reporting on the Texas-Mexico border. A graduate of the University of Kansas School of Journalism, she has been writing nonfiction professionally for 30 years,

The Kansas native is a member of ACFW, Sisters in Crime, and Alamo City Christian Writers. She’s currently working on a romance novel for Harvest House, expected to hit bookstore shelves in January 2012.

For more information and sneak peek at chapter one of *No Child of Mine*, go to www.kellyirvin.com.

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