THE FIREMAN
A Novel
by Joe Hill
(William Morrow)

“The Fireman is a novel that will keep you up reading all night. No one really knows where the deadly Dragonstone spore originated but many theories abound. The most likely is that as the planet heats up, the spore is released into the atmosphere. Harper Willows is a young, pregnant nurse who risks her own health to tend to others. This is her story and I loved it! This is one of the most creative takes on apocalyptic literature that I have read and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Highly recommended for all Hill and King fans.”

—Mary Vemau, Tyler Public Library, Tyler, TX

EVERYONE BRAVE IS FORGIVEN
by Chris Cleave
(Simon & Schuster)

“Set during World War II and loosely based on the author’s own grandparents, this was a strikingly honest look at the changes that war creates on a country’s landscape and its people. These changes were so strongly shown by the progressive style of this novel. Bit by bit, we are privy to each character’s transformation. What a great tribute to what they endured. War gives birth to many endings, also to many beginnings. Bittersweet.”

—Lori Elliott, Kershaw County Library, SC

SMOKE
A Novel
by Dan Vyleta
(Doubleday)

“In an alternate historical London, people who lie reveal themselves by giving off smoke but the rules of how this works are complicated. There are some people who can lie and not trigger any smoke and this lends an interesting element to the story. The rules we are given are changeable. The setting lends itself well to the story. The writing is descriptive, and the tone is atmospheric. Similar authors that come to my mind are Neil Gaiman and China Mieville. This is a dark, delicious tale.”

—Jennifer Ohzourk, St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, MO

BRITT-MARIE WAS HERE
A Novel
by Fredrik Backman
(Atria Books)

“Britt-Marie is a woman who is used to her life being organized. But when she leaves her cheating spouse and takes a temporary job as caretaker of the recreation center in the tiny town of Borg, her life changes in unpredictable ways. With its wonderful cast of oddball characters and sly sense of humor, this novel is sure to capture readers’ hearts. Highly recommended.”

—Vicki Nesting, St. Charles Parish Library, Destrehan, LA

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