



LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE

by Celeste Ng (Penguin Press)

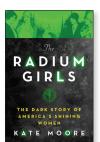
"Little Fires Everywhere delves into family relationships and what parenthood, either biological or by adoption, means. We follow the members of two families living in the idyllic, perfectly-planned suburb of Shaker Heights, Ohio: Mia and Pearl, a mother and daughter living a less traditional lifestyle, moving from town to town every few months, and the Richardsons, the perfect nuclear family in the perfect suburb...until Izzy Richardson burns her family home down. Ng's superpower is her ability to pull you into her books from the very first sentence!"

—Emma DeLooze-Klein, Kirkwood Public Library, Kirkwood, MO



The top ten books that librarians across the country loved recommending this year.

AVORITES OF THE FAVORITES



THE RADIUM GIRLS

The Dark Story of America's Shining Women by Kate Moore (Sourcebooks)

"This is the story of hundreds of young, vibrant women who were sentenced to death by their employers. The so-called "Radium Girls" painted luminescent faces on clock and watch dials using a paint mixture that contained radium.

Instructed to "lip-point" their brushes as they painted, they absorbed high doses of radium into their bodies. When the effects of the radium led to horrific disfigurement and pain, the company refused to take responsibility. This heartrending book was one I could not put down."

— Catherine Coyne, Mansfield Public Library, Mansfield, MA



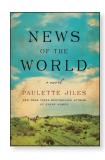
ELEANOR OLIPHANT IS COMPLETELY FINE

A Novel by Gail Honeyman (Pamela Dorman Books)

"I loved this book about the quirky Eleanor, who struggles to relate to other people and lives a very solitary life. When she and the new work IT guy happen to be walking down the street together, they witness an elderly man collapse on the sidewalk and

suddenly Eleanor's orderly routines are disrupted. This is a lovely novel about loneliness and how a little bit of kindness can change a person forever. Highly recommended for fans of A Man Called Ove and The Rosie Project – this would make a great book club read."

—Halle Eisenman, Beaufort County Library, Blufton, SC



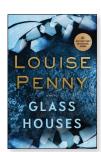
NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Novel by Paulette Jiles (William Morrow)

"Readers fortunate enough to meet Captain Jefferson Kyle Kidd, an old ex-soldier who makes a living reading the news to townspeople in 1870s Texas, and Joanna, the Indian captive he is charged with returning to her relatives, will not soon forget them. Everything, from efsfxdthe

vividly realized Texas frontier setting to the characters is beautifully crafted, right up to the moving conclusion. Both the Captain and Joanna have very distinctive voices. Wonderful storytelling.

—Beth Mills, New Rochelle Public Library, New Rochelle, NY



GLASS HOUSES

A Novel by Louise Penny (Minotaur Books)

"A new threat arises in Three Pines as a mysterious masked figure stands watch on the village green. 'It' refuses to communicate in any way, which is just the start of another thrilling adventure in this longrunning series. Gamache is still trying to restore the Sûreté du

Québec back to what it was before it was corrupted under the previous regime. Choices are made that will forever change our hero in ways we can only begin to imagine. The next book can't get here fast enough."

—Joseph Jones, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Brooklyn, OH



SMALL GREAT THINGS

by Jodi Picoult
(Ballantine Books)

"A black neonatal nurse is charged with causing the

charged with causing the death of a white supremacist's newborn baby. The story is told from the points of view of the nurse, her attorney, and the baby's heartbroken father. As always, Picoult's attention to legal, organizational, and medical details help the tale

ring true. What sets this book apart, though, are the uncomfortable points it makes about racism. The novel is both absorbing and thought-provoking, and will surely spark conversations among friends, families and book clubs."

—Laurie Van Court, Douglas County Libraries, Castle Rock, CO



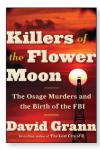
MAGPIE MURDERS

by Anthony Horowitz (Harper)

"Susan Ryeland is a London book editor who has just received the latest manuscript from one of her most irascible authors, Alan Conway. But the manuscript's ending appears to be missing and she learns that Conway has committed suicide. As Ryeland learns more about his death, she starts to question whether a

murder has occurred and begins to investigate. *Magpie Murders* is a delightful, clever mystery-within-a-mystery. Horowitz shows real mastery of his craft. This is a terrific, modern take on the traditional mystery with ingenious puzzles to solve."

—Andrea Larson, Cook Memorial Library, Libertyville, IL



KILLERS OF THE FLOWER

MOON The Osage Murders and the

Birth of the FBI by David Grann

(Doubleday)
"In the 1920s, a string of
unsolved murders rocked the
Osage Indian Nation in
Oklahoma. Made rich by oil
rights, the Osage were already
victimized by unscrupulous
businessmen and societal

prejudice, but these murders were so egregious, the newly formed FBI was brought in to investigate. Immensely readable, this book brings a shameful part of U.S. history alive and will keep readers thinking long after they have finished the book."

—Jenna Persick, Chester County Library, Exton, PA



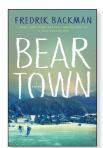
THE DRY

by Jane Harper (Flatiron Books)

"'Luke lied. You lied. Be at the funeral.' These eight words will change everything for Agent Aaron Falk, summoned by the father or his former best friend. It appears Luke went on a rampage, murdering his wife, son, and then himself. At Luke's father's request, Aaron agrees to look into the murders/

suicide and learns that the small town has long held grudges and secrets that may be best kept hidden in this atmospheric, chilling complex tale of anger and revenge."

—Jennifer Winberry, Hunterdon County Library, Flemington, NJ



BEARTOWN

by Fredrik Backman (Atria Books)

"Backman's most complex novel to date takes place in the small, hockey-crazed village of Beartown. He deftly weaves together the stories of the players, the coaches, the parents, and the fans as Beartown's hockey team chases its dream of winning a championship. Weighty themes are explored. How high a price is

too high for success? How deadly is silence? Who can you trust with your secrets? How far will you compromise your beliefs in the name of friendship? There are no easy answers. A great book club choice."

—Janet Lockhart, Wake County Public Library, Cary, NC