WHAT'S ON YOUR NIGHTSTAND?

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

MAY 2020

FICTION

THE GLASS HOTEL - Hilary St. John Mandel
A Ponzi scheme which entraps and devastates many lives

KEEPER OF LOST CAUSES - Jussi Adler-Olsen
Carl, an emotionally damaged police detective, is now director of the cold cases department.

OLIVE AGAIN - Elizabeth Strout
Cantankerous Olive struggles to understand not only herself and her own life but the lives of those around her in a small Maine town.

HIS IS HAPPINESS - Niall Williams
Set in Ireland, this story wanders as though it is traveling on one of the twisty, winding roads of the rural life.

NONFICTION

ACROSS MANY MOUNTAINS - Yangzom Brauen
Portrait of three generations of Tibetan women whose lives are forever changed when Chairman Mao’s red army crushes Tibetan independence.

THE BAREFOOT WOMAN - Scholastique Mukasonga
A moving, unforgettable tribute to a Tutsi woman who did everything to protect her children from the Rwandan genocide.

DALAI LAMA - AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFE - Alexander Norman
The first authoritative biography of the Dalai Lama—a story by turns inspiring and shocking.

HIKING WITH NIETZSCHE: on becoming who you are - John Kaag
About defeating complacency, balancing sanity and madness, and coming to grips with the unobtainable.

LOVING ANIMALS - Jeannie Lindheim
Conversations with an animal communicator.

NOTHING TO DECLARE - Mary Morris
The union of a travel book and a journey into the self.

UNBROKEN - Laura Hillenbrand
In World War II an airman crashes into the Pacific Ocean and survives - against all odds.

UPSTREAM - Mary Oliver
A collection of essays by a revered poet.

WHY WE SWIM - Bonnie Tsui
A fascinating and beautifully written love letter to water.
FAVORITE “RE-READS”

- Excellent Women - Barbara Pym
- Winnie the Pooh - A.A. Milne
- The Bobbsey Twins
- Nancy Drew
- Toward the End of Time - John Updike
- Before the Storm - Rilke
- Alice in Wonderland - Lewis Carroll
- OED