Just in time to save you from the mid-week blues. Check out this eclectic group of new titles. All are available in your cute little library overlooking the lake.

Universal principles of art

From Barnes and Noble: “A follow-up to Rockport Publishers' best-selling Universal Principles of Design, a new volume will present one hundred principles, fundamental ideas and approaches to making art, that will guide, challenge and inspire any artist to make better, more focused art. Universal Principles of Art serves as a wealth of prompts, hints, insights and roadmaps that will open a world of possibilities and provide invaluable keys to both understanding art works and generating new ones.”

Ethnic dress in the United States: a cultural encyclopedia

From Barnes and Noble: “The clothes we wear tell stories about us—and are often imbued with cultural meanings specific to our ethnic heritage. This concise A-to-Z encyclopedia explores 150 different and distinct items of ethnic dress, their history, and their cultural significance within the United States.”

A writer’s reference, 8th edition

From Barnes and Noble: “In an April 2014 survey of first-year writers, 75 percent reported that using a Hacker handbook made them a more confident academic writer. What’s more, A Writer’s Reference has been a powerful tool for change
across college campuses—helping to create a culture of writing at many schools by supporting a common language for talking about academic writing. In that way, *A Writer’s Reference* is uniquely positioned to help transform attitudes about the value of writing instruction and the role that writing plays in academic work and in higher learning.”

World War I in American fiction

From Barnes and Noble: “The first collection of its kind, *World War I in American Fiction* brings together 26 stories to present a fuller picture of the war's immediate impact on American culture and its subsequent, deeply contested memory. The volume features canonical authors such as F. Scott Fitzgerald and Langston Hughes.”

The end of American labor unions

From Barnes and Noble: “By examining the history of the legal regulation of union actions, this fascinating book offers a new interpretation of American labor-law policy—and its harmful impact on workers today.”

Lighting up: the rise of social smoking on college campuses

From Barnes and Noble: “While the past 40 years have seen significant declines in adult smoking, this is not the case among young adults, who have the highest prevalence of smoking of all other age groups. At a time when just about everyone knows that smoking is bad for you, why do so many college students smoke? Is it a short lived phase or do they continue throughout the college years? And what happens after college, when they enter the “real world”?”
Drawing on interviews and focus groups with hundreds of young adults, *Lighting Up* takes the reader into their everyday lives to explore social smoking.

**The last lover**

From Publishers Weekly: “The latest mind-bending novel from Xue (Vertical Motion) is about resisting the "invasions of daily life." In the Western nation of Country A, Joe, a clothing company manager, decides to quit his job to read more books. Vincent, Joe's boss, has been neglecting work and his wife, Lisa, to pursue a woman who might be an apparition. Joe's customer Reagan is losing control of himself and his farm after sleeping with one of his workers, Ida. As desire weaves these characters through a city of wet crows, a plantation overrun with snakes, a pastureland infested with wasps, and an island of invisible turtles, they ponder the ties between love, nature, and death. When these threads begin to converge, Joe and his wife, Maria, share a realization that prompts Joe to follow the story east to an ancient country. Layered in symbolism, the majority of the book is spent in an "unusually intense, approximately hallucinatory state.""

**The ultimate guide to sugars & sweeteners**

From Barnes and Noble: “Perfect for foodies, bakers, carb counters, parents, chefs, and clinicians, this delightfully readable book features more than 180 alphabetical entries on natural and artificial sweeteners, including the usual suspects (table sugar, honey), the controversial (aspartame, high-fructose corn syrup), the hyped (coconut sugar, monk fruit sweetener), and the unfamiliar (Chinese rock sugar, isomaltulose). You’ll also find myth-busting Q&As, intriguing trivia, side-by-side comparisons of how sweeteners perform in classic baked goods, and info on food-additive regulations, dental health, the glycemic index, and more. Your sweet tooth is in for a real education!”

**Encounters at the heart of the world: a history of the Mandan people**
From Publishers Weekly: “On the northern plains, where the Heart River joins the Missouri, the Mandans made their home, flourishing due to their openness to others, their commercial canniness, and their agricultural skills. In this riveting chronicle, part history and part travelogue of trips to Mandan territory in 2002, historian Fenn (Pox Americana) traces the rise and fall of the Mandans as newcomers encroached on their domains...Fenn brings to life and celebrates the customs and practices of the Mandans, while bemoaning the fate of this little-known North American tribe.”

Tortillas: a cultural history

From Barnes and Noble: “In this entertaining and informative account Paula E. Morton surveys the history of the tortilla from its roots in ancient Mesoamerica to the cross-cultural global tortilla. Morton tells the story of tortillas and the people who make and eat them--from the Mexican woman rolling the mano over the metate to grind corn, to the enormous wheat tortillas made in northern Mexico, to twenty-first-century elaborations like the stuffed burrito. This study--the first to extensively present the tortilla’s history, symbolism, and impact--shows how the tortilla has changed our understanding of home cooking, industrialized food, healthy cuisine, and the people who live across borders.”

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