

CANDLES BURNING
Tabitha King & Michael McDowell
FIC KING
 Calliope "Calley" Dakin is just seven when her beloved father is tortured, murdered, and dismembered by two women with no discernible motivation. In the aftermath, Calley and her mother find themselves caught up in inexplicable events that exile them to Pensacola Beach, where- in a house that's a dead ringer for Calley's late great- grandmother's house- a woman awaits their presence. For Calley is no normal little girl.

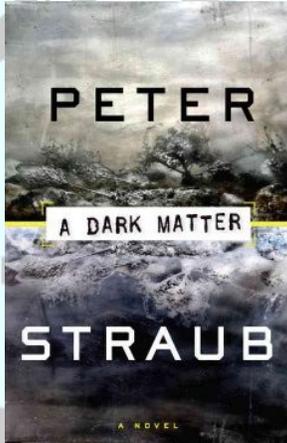
THE SILENT LAND
Graham Joyce
FIC JOYCE

In the French Pyrenees, a young married couple is buried under a flash avalanche while skiing. Miraculously, Jake and Zoe dig their way out from under the snow-- only to discover the world they knew has been overtaken by an eerie and absolute silence. Their hotel is devoid of another living soul. Cell phones and land lines are cut off. An evacuation as sudden and thorough as this leaves Jake and Zoe to face a terrifying situation alone. They are trapped by the storm, completely isolated, with another catastrophic avalanche threatening to bury them alive... again.



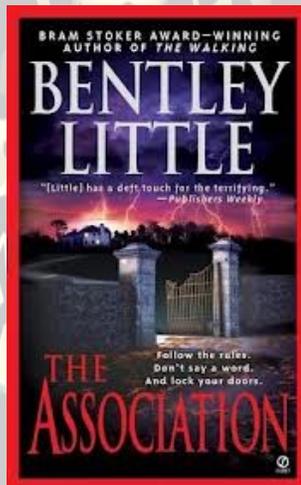
A DARK MATTER
Peter Straub
FIC STRAUB

The charismatic Spenser Mallon, a campus guru in the 1960s, attracts the devotion and demanding sexual favors of his young acolytes. After he invites his most fervent followers to attend a secret ritual in a local meadow, the only thing that remains is a gruesomely dismembered body - and the shattered souls of all who were present. Years later, one man attempts to understand what happened to them all by writing a book about this horrible night, and through this process he begins to examine the unspeakable events that have haunted every one of them ever since. As each of the old friends tries to come to grips with the darkness of the past, they find themselves face-to-face with the evil triggered so many years earlier.



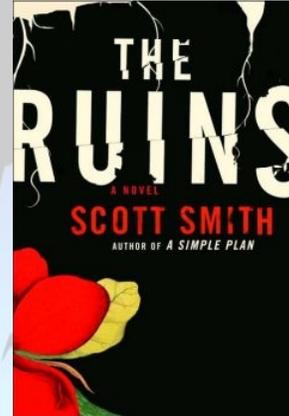
THE ASSOCIATION
Bentley Little
FIC LITTLE

Barry and Maureen Welch are thrilled to exchange their chaotic California lifestyle for the idyllic confines of Bonita Vista, a ritzy gated community in the unincorporated fictional town of Corban, Utah. But as Bonita Vista residents, they're required to become members of the neighborhood Homeowners' Association, a meddling group that uses its authority to spy on neighbors, eradicate pets and dismember anyone who fails to pay association dues and fines. Maureen, an accountant, and Barry, a horror writer who is banned by the association from writing at home, soon find themselves trapped in the kind of deranged world that Barry once believed existed only within the safety of his imagination.



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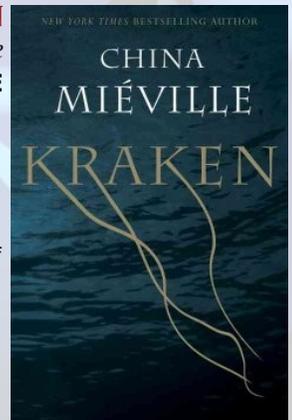
Stories To Leave You Shivering In The Dark



THE RUINS
Scott Smith
FIC SMITH
 Two American couples, just out of college, enjoy a pleasant, lazy beach holiday together in Mexico. On an impulse, they go off with newfound friends in search of one of their group--the young German, who, in pursuit of a girl, has headed for the remote Mayan ruins, site of a fabled archeological dig. Then the searchers-- moving into the wild interior--begin to suspect that there is an insidious, horrific "other" among them...

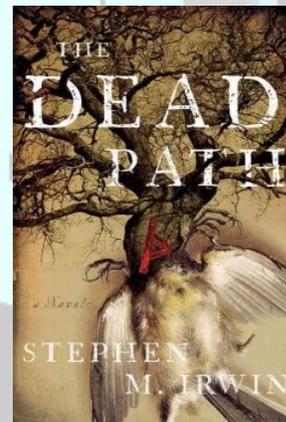
KRAKEN
China Mieville
FIC MIEVILLE

Billy Harrow is a dedicated scientist who never imagined being caught up in intrigue, but after he successfully preserves a giant squid, he comes to the attention of the Krakenists, an obscure cult that worships squids. When the giant squid mysteriously disappears from the museum in the middle of the day, Billy is drawn into the world of cults, magic, and Armageddon.



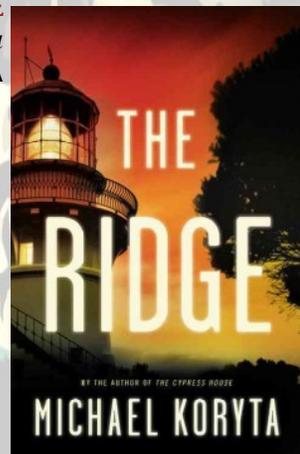
THE DEAD PATH
Stephen M. Irwin
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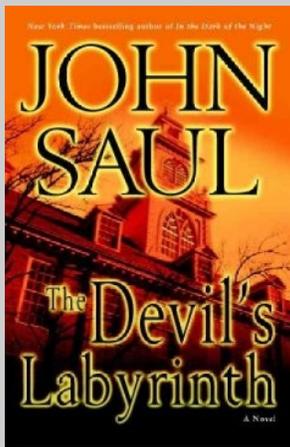
After the death of his wife, Nicholas Close becomes haunted, literally, by ghosts. Torn by guilt and fearing for his sanity, he returns home to Tallong, Australia, and becomes entangled in a disturbing series of disappearances and murders--both as a suspect and as the next victim of the malignant evil lurking in the heart of the woods.



THE RIDGE
Michael Koryta
FIC KORYTA

From the lighthouse he built on top of a ridge in an eastern Kentucky forest, Wyatt French makes two rambling phone calls about murder and suicide. When Chief Deputy Kevin Kimble and journalist Roy Darmus find him dead in the lighthouse and discover old photographs and maps with names written on them, they realize Wyatt has been collecting information that relates to mysterious and deadly local events that date back decades. As more disturbing events occur, Kimble and Darmus find they are confronting an old, old evil.





THE DEVIL'S LABYRINTH

John Saul

FIC SAUL

A troubled teenager struggling to cope with the loss of his father, Ryan McIntyre is sent to St. Ignatius Catholic School, an institution with a good reputation for dealing with troubled teens. Two boys have disappeared from St. Isaac, and by the end of Ryan's first week at St. Isaac, one of the missing boys has been killed by police while committing bloody murder. During week two, Ryan finds the corpse of the other missing boy in the underground tunnels beneath the school. Father Sebastian, a psychologist-priest at the school, is also an exorcist, and has been using the students of St. Isaac's to test out an ancient summoning rite that allows an exorcist control of the evil to be found in anyone.



THE CARETAKER OF LORNE FIELD

Dave Zeltserman

FIC ZELTSEMAN

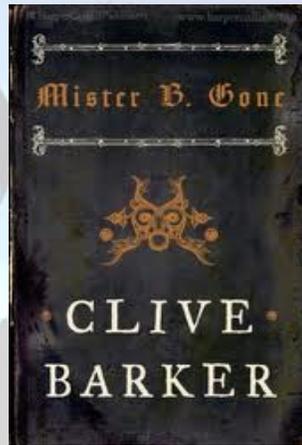
Jack Durkin is the ninth generation of Durkins who have weeded Lorne Field for nearly 300 years. Though he and his wife Lydia are miserable and would like nothing more than to leave, Jack must wait until his son has come of age to tend the field on his own. It's an important job, though no one else seems to realize it. For, if the field is left untended, a horrific monster called an Aukowie will grow. A monster capable of taking over the entirety of America in just two weeks. Or so it is said...

MISTER B. GONE

Clive Barker

FIC BARKER

A medieval devil speaks directly to the reader, his tone murderous one moment, seductive the next, in a memoir allegedly penned in the year 1438. The demon has embedded himself in the very words of this tale of terror, turning the book itself into a dangerous object, laced with menace only too ready to break free and exert its power.

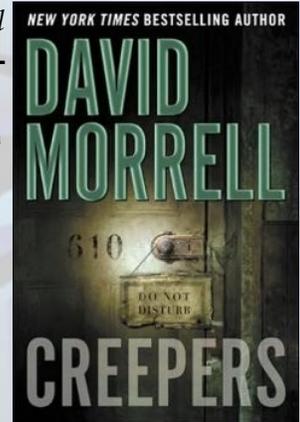


CREEPERS

David Morrell

FIC MORRELL

On a cold October night, five people gather in a rundown motel on the Jersey shore to make preparations to break into a nearby abandoned hotel-- built by a reclusive millionaire during Asbury Park's golden days-- but the group of urban explorers, joined for the evening by a reporter, are unprepared for the danger, terror, and death awaiting.



THE TERROR

Dan Simmons

FIC SIMMONS

Sir John Franklin is leader of the 1840's Franklin expedition, the search for the Northwest Passage, and captain of the Erebus. He is also an aging fool. Francis Crozier, his second in command and captain of the Terror, is a competent sailor, but embittered after years of seeing lesser men with better connections given preferment over him. With their two ships quickly trapped in pack ice, their voyage is a disaster from start to finish. Madness, mutiny and cannibalism follow. And then there's the monstrous creature from the ice, the thing like a polar bear but many times larger, possessed of a dark and vicious intelligence.

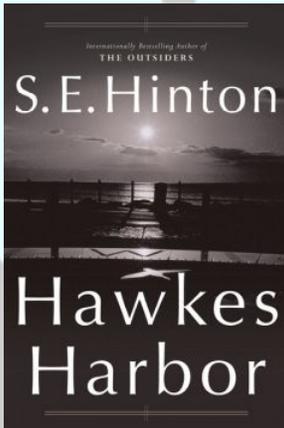


HAWKES HARBOR

S.E. Hinton

FIC HINTON

Jamie Sommers is orphaned at the age of eight in 1950 and sent to live with some nasty nuns until graduating as a troubled young man to a life at sea. After surviving a number of life-threatening adventures as a gem smuggler in exotic ports, he ends up in the small town of Hawkes Harbor on the Delaware coast, where he stumbles into a situation so dire his entire life is changed in a manner of minutes. His new employer, the mysterious Grenville Hawke, lord of Hawkes Hall, is a Vampire.



THE NIGHT STRANGERS

Chris Bohjalian

FIC BOHJALIAN

After he crashes his plane into Lake Champlain, killing most of the passengers, Chip Linton moves into a new home with his wife and twin daughters and soon finds himself being haunted by the dead passengers, all while his wife wonders why the strange herbalist denizens of the town have taken such an interest in her daughters.



SWAN SONG

Robert McCammon

FIC MCCAMMON

In a nightmarish, post-holocaust world, an ancient evil roams a devastated America, gathering the forces of human greed and madness, searching for a child named Swan who possesses the gift of life.

