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You're looking at Volume 5, Number 2 of **UNDER the COVER**, a partnership between Skokie Public Library, local junior high schools, and several book publishers who give us a sneak peek at the newest books for young readers. This is the winter issue of 2010-2011 school year. We call it **V5N2** for short.

Reviews in this issue were written by students from **Fairview South** and **McCracken Middle School**. Most of the titles are available for checkout at Skokie Public Library or your school library.

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Annexed

by Sharon Dogar

Reviewed by Diana S.
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Annexed, by Sharon Dogar, is about sixteen year-old Peter van Pel's time spent in hiding with Anne Frank and her family. In 1942, the Nazis are rounding up all of the Jews and sending them off to camps. Jewish people cannot drink from the same water fountain as non-Jews and always have to wear a star over their clothes. To escape this, the Franks and Peter and his family all hide in the "Secret Annex," a whole series of rooms hidden behind a bookcase.

Peter struggles to adjust to life in the Annex and mourns over his girlfriend, Liese, who was taken away to one of the camps. However, Peter finds himself falling in love with Anne. She loves him back too, but he feels that she only sticks around so she could write everything in her diary then. Unfortunately, their hiding spot is discovered, and they are all taken away. What will happen to Peter and Anne? Read the book to find out.

If you love historical fiction, this is the book for you. It is based on Anne Frank's actual diary that recalls her experience in the Secret Annex, only this book is from a whole new point of view. I highly recommend reading *Annexed* by Sharon Dogar; you won't regret it, I promise!
(Youth Junior High Fiction DOG and Adult Fiction-Teen DOG)



Beyonders:

A World Without Heroes

by Brandon Mull

Reviewed by Ben B.
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Beyonders: A World Without Heroes written by Brandon Mull, is an exciting fantasy story in which Jason Walker

is accidentally transported to the magical realm of Lyrian, a world ruled by the evil wizard emperor Maldor.

Not long after wandering around bewildered in one of Lyrian's many forests, Jason stumbles upon the "Repository of Learning," essentially Lyrian's most massive library. While there, Jason goes into the library attic (the place the Keeper of the Repository told him specifically not to go to) and, hoping to find a book that would tell him how to get home, finds an interesting book.

This book, the Book of Salzared, tells of a mysterious word that would spontaneously unmake Maldor, but as soon as Jason closed the book, a mysterious eye appeared spotting Jason. The keeper tells Jason that this means Maldor knows Jason looked at the book. The keeper rushes Jason out of the building, and gives him a few directions and tips of where to go. Jason meets Galloran, a fallen warrior who in the end, failed to destroy Maldor. He introduces Rachel, another person from Earth who came to Lyrian on the same day as Jason. Galloran sets them on a quest to find all the syllables to the word and destroy Maldor. Galloran said that while on the quest they might find a way back to Earth.

Beyonders: A World Without Heroes was an amazing read, I could never find a good place to stop because every paragraph was exciting. The book never slows down. I could never have predicted the various plot twists that occur at the ending. It



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was quite a long book, but it kept my attention all the way to the end. I would recommend this book to any fantasy reader in middle school. Read the book to find out the fate of Lyrian! (Youth Fiction MUL)



Bone: Tall Tales

by Jeff Smith

Reviewed by Tahmoor T.
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In *Bone: Tall Tales* by Jeff Smith, Smith will make you laugh as you read through the tales. In this book, Smiley is the leader of a camping trip, and he has three campers who are along with him: Todd, Ringo, and Bingo. Throughout this graphic novel, Smiley tells the boys about his adventures in the past and Baby Johnson Bone's adventures too. In the first tale, Fone Bone and Phoney Bone find a treasure map on the ground. What will it lead to? What will they find? The second tale is all about how Baby Johnson Bone is born and what he encounters. Lastly, the third tale is about the adventure of Baby Johnson Bone and his attempt to save animals in need of his help. Who exactly needs his help and will he get there on time?

I would recommend this to anyone who loves a good laugh out of a book, because this graphic novel will bring smiles upon a lot of readers' faces. It certainly made me smile as I read the pages. This funny book is meant to show many adventures that occur to those who are eager to listen to these stories about Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Todd. These three characters are just part of what many readers enjoy in the stories told by Smiley. This graphic novel will soon bring joy to many other readers.

(Youth Junior High Graphic Novel 741.5973 BON)



Confessions of the Sullivan Sisters

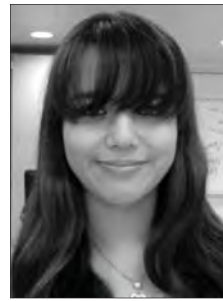
by Natalie Standiford

Reviewed by Carly R.
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Confessions of the Sullivan Sisters by Natalie Standiford is one of the best books I've read so far. It's about a wealthy grandmother (Almighty) who removes the Sullivan family out of her will. They all think it's because one of the Sullivan sisters did something to offend her, but which one?

Was it Norrie, the heart-breaker; Jane, the "Bad girl" smoker; or was it Sassy, the "angelic" one? WHO DONE IT? Everyone starts to confess their deepest secrets and bad behavior to try to convince their grandma to put them back in the will. It is so fun to read their confessions!

Confessions of the Sullivan Sisters by Natalie Standiford is a sprinkle of comedy, a pinch romance, and a dash of mystery on the side. You're sure to love this book, maybe even more than I did. (Youth Junior High Fiction STA)



Cryer's Cross

by Lisa McMann

Reviewed by Shandiin O.
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Is your heart pounding? Chills running up and down your spine? Afraid to turn off the light? Then you're probably reading *Cryer's Cross* by Lisa McMann,

a tightly woven tale of suspense, horror and mystery!

When kids from the high school start to disappear Kendall Fletcher is barely fazed but when her best friend (and possibly boyfriend) Nico goes missing, Kendall reacts. Then fingers point to the Obregons, the new family that has just moved into the small community, so could it possibly be the dark, handsome and mysterious Jacian who Kendall has slowly found herself drawn to after Nico's mysterious disappearance? When Kendall finds strange words carved into Nico's desk, she knows there must be something up...to find out what, you'll have to read the book!

This is an excellent novel with a surprise ending and many suspenseful parts, which will surely have you on your feet, aching for the end. Enter the strange and mysterious world of *Cryer's Cross* to unlock the answer to the strange mystery. So take a trip and read *Cryer's Cross* by Lisa McMann ☺.
(Youth Junior High Fiction MCM and Adult Fiction-Teen MCM)



Dark Fire

by Chris D'Lacey

Reviewed by Samantha D.
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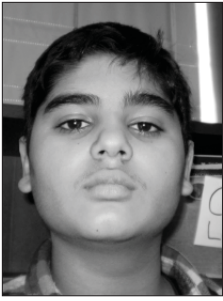
Dark Fire by Chris D'Lacey is a very mysterious fantasy book. It has to do with a family made of dragon blood. The mother named Liz makes clay

dragons, and when she was little she got this snowball that would not melt. So, she put a little bit of the magic snowball into her dragon sculptures and they came alive!

Her daughter Lucy goes to a small town to try and wake up one of the legendary twelve dragons. When this happened, lots of bad things began to happen to others. Before Lucy goes, a friend finds out that she is in fact the beginning of a new species...to find out what else happens, you'll have to read this interesting book.

If you're a fan of dragons with action and lots of mystery, then this will be a great series for you to read. The series is hard to understand if you don't read at least the first two books, and *Dark Fire* is actually the last book (which is book 5). Give it a try! *Dark Fire* by Chris D'Lacey is a very good book. (Youth Fiction DLA)





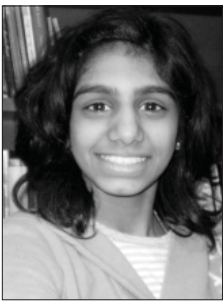
Edgar Allan's Official Crime Investigation Notebook

by Mary Amato

Reviewed by Anwar K.
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In *Edgar Allan's Official Crime Investigation Notebook* by Mary Amato, Slurpy, the class's pet goldfish is stolen. Oddly the thief is leaving a note written in poetry, right when Edgar's class is working on a poetry unit. As Edgar puts on his detective hat, it's up to him to find the thief. But to make things worse, he has competition - Patrick Chen. Read this warm, humorous, mystery to find out who finds the thief first.

I really enjoyed reading this book because of its mix of humor, mystery, poetry, and sadness. This book has an amazing storyline. The events that happen are shockingly surprising. In addition, the poetry is so funny and moving that, at times, I was left really speechless. I think people that like poetry might enjoy this book more than some; however, I recommend this book to everyone because it's a mix of everything that readers like. (Youth Fiction AMA)



The Great Wall of Lucy Wu

by Wendy Wan-Long Shang

Reviewed by Asha L.
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Have you ever thought that you would have the perfect year, but then it got ruined? Well, if you have, then you should read *The Great Wall of Lucy Wu* by Wendy Wan-Long Shang. Lucy thought her year was going to be perfect. She was going to have her own room after her sister moved out, was going to join the basketball team, and was even going to be the captain of the sixth grade girls' basketball team. But, then her grandmother's awkward sister, Yi Po, unexpectedly arrives from China to live with them. Now, it seems, all of her plans will be abruptly changed. Will Lucy still have the best year ever?

I give *The Great Wall of Lucy Wu* a 10/10. I liked it because of the advice Lucy gives along the way when she is facing her troubles. She doesn't say it directly to you, but she shows you along the way of her troubles. *The Great Wall of Lucy Wu* is for people who like realistic fiction. (Youth Fiction SHA)



I Kissed a Zombie and I Liked It

by Adam Selzer

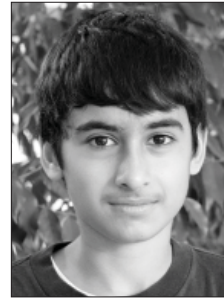
Reviewed by Nina C.
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When you think of zombies, do you imagine a creepy, slow moving, brain hungry creep with maggots crawling in and out of their dead corpse? Well, in the book, *I Kissed a Zombie and I Liked It* by Adam Selzer, some zombies are totally hot, hopelessly romantic, and have amazing taste in music.

In the book, a senior girl named Algonquin (or Alley for short) is a part of the "Vicious Circle" a news article team, whose year is based off of making fun of every single couple, and person who isn't totally like them. But, this isn't any ordinary clique filled school. Earlier that year, vampires came out of the "coffin," along with zombies, who were previously working at a local Megamart as slaves.

Algonquin is fed up with the vampire type, and wants to move out of her small town in Iowa, in hopes to go to a good college and find a man with taste in music from the 1930s just like her. But, when she's reviewing a band at the cage for her news article, hoping to make fun of them, she finds that they have a very special guest singer, Doug. Doug is the goth type and after singing some of Algonquin's favorite songs from the 1930s, Alley is in love!! She knows he's perfect, and after the first couple dates, she can't get enough of him.

But, it turns out Doug's a zombie, and has to drink embalming fluid every 4 hours just to keep from crumbling. To complicate things, a vampire named Will wants Alley to himself and plans to change her into a vampire and kill off her lovely Doug—which shouldn't be too hard, considering he's already dead, right? You'll have to read *I Kissed a Zombie and I Liked It* by Adam Selzer to find out what happens! (Youth Junior High Fiction SEL and Adult Fiction-Teen SEL)



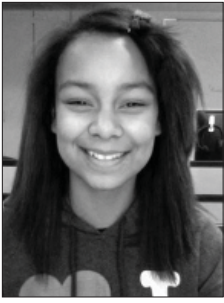
Museum of Thieves

by Lian Tanner

Reviewed by Jonathan H.
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Imagine living in a place where you were never allowed to make any decisions for yourself until you were released from the chains that bound you. Well, this is Goldie's situation in *Museum of Thieves* by Lian Tanner. Goldie lives in the controlling city of Jewel and she is going to be a part of Separation Day where she finally is freed from her chains and can be with her family. But in the middle of the Separation Day, a bloody person walks in the door and says there has been an explosion in this town, and he has been inside the explosion but didn't die. Sadly, a few people did die and Separation Day had to be canceled. So, Goldie does what she has to do – she runs away. Now, she has people called the Guardians chasing her to put her in prison. In her escape, there is one person who is never leaving her alone and always following her. She ends up meeting this person, Toadspit, in a museum that she is lured to. Goldie discovers terrible secrets there and is confused when she finds her room inside the staff-only closet of the museum. Goldie really wants her parents back, but the leader of the Guardians has his own plan for her and the ones she loves. If you want to know if Goldie gets her parents back and can escape the evil schemes of the leader, you should read the book.

Those who like science fiction would enjoy this book. Also there is much adventure in this book because Goldie went through an adventure in trying to get her parents back. She also goes through many very tough obstacles that keep you on the edge of your seat. (Youth Fiction TAN)



The Not-So-Great Depression

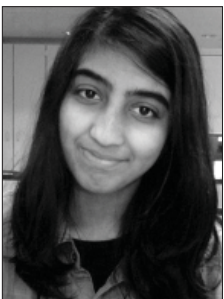
In Which the Economy Crashes, My Sister's Plans are Ruined, My Mom Goes Broke, My Dad Grows Vegetables, and I Do Not Get a Hamster
by Amy Goldman Koss

Reviewed by Camille H.
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Everyone knows about the Great Depression of the 1930s, when the nation was plunged into economic hardship and desperation. *The Not-So-Great Depression*, by Amy Goldman Koss, is an update, set in 2010, about a teenage girl and her family living in an upscale Los Angeles neighborhood. The family suffers when Mom is laid off and most of her money is lost in the stock market. After a series of mishaps, they discover that happiness doesn't depend on dollars and cents. However, it does depend on good sense. This is an entertaining book about a teenager's life in the economic times we live in right now. It was fun to read because I could easily relate to the conflicts she confronts with her family and friends.

The main protagonist, Jackie, and her family live in a big house in Los Angeles, with a full time nanny who takes care of the household. When money gets tight, Carly, the nanny, gets fired. Next, the entire family is thrown into tumult as they start to realize how much work it is to do the everyday tasks of living. For example, "Mitch thinks Mom is embarrassed to have a master's degree and not know how to buy toilet paper, but he thinks she should be more embarrassed by not remembering to wash his baseball uniform. Mom says he should learn to do it himself." (page 88).

I recommend this book to anyone over the age of 10, because it is an easy, fun, and quick read. The female protagonist will especially appeal to girls. Fortunately, it is unlike many young adult novels that feature sex, drugs or abduction. *The Not-So-Great Depression* by Amy Goldman Koss is a family story, appropriate to the current times and to any reader! (Youth Junior High Fiction KOS)



Not That Kind of Girl

by Siobhan Vivian

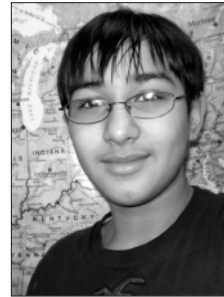
Reviewed by Rubab H.
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What if you became the High School President? Your opponent was the school's most popular senior, but YOU won! That's what happens in the book *Not That Kind of Girl* by Siobhan Vivian. It's about a girl named Natalie who becomes president in her senior year. Mike, who was a runner-up, had fewer votes and tried to make Natalie miserable. Besides that drama, this book has relationships, sadness, and hilarious moments.

When I first saw this book, I thought it was going to be maybe a little boring, but I was wrong about that. It's a book you'll stay up all night reading (even on a Monday school night!)

The romance and intensity will keep you wrapped up and hoping for a sequel.

I liked this book a lot. It wasn't one of those wait-til-page-50-to-get-excitement type books. It was amazing and funny from the beginning. I sometimes caught myself laughing out loud. I highly recommend you read *Not That Kind of Girl* by Siobhan Vivian. You'll want more, like I did! (Adult Fiction-Teen VIV)



Saving Zasha

by Randi Barrow

Reviewed by Daniel P.
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How would you feel if your beloved dog was taken away? Well this is mainly the story of *Saving Zasha* by Randi Barrow. World War II has just ended when thirteen-year-old Mikhail finds a dying man and his German shepherd, Zasha, in the woods. It's dangerous to own a German dog after Germany attacked Russia, so Mikhail must keep Zasha a secret to keep her alive.

But Mikhail's rival, Katia, is determined to find the dog she is sure he's hiding. At the same time, a soldier named Dimitri is breeding a new Russian dog at a nearby farm, since many dogs were lost in combat due to starvation and the slaughtering of German dogs. Now the country is in dire need of every kind of dog. So Dimitri, too, has suspicions of Zasha's existence, and would like nothing more than to add her to his breeding program. He'll have to compete with the armed dog thieves who are also on her trail. Will Zasha be safe? Will Mikhail be able to protect her? Read this dramatic story to find out.

Anyone who likes drama, adventure, and realistic fiction would enjoy this book. Mikhail's inspiring journey to save his best friend, the last German shepherd in Russia, forces him to face some of life's hardest lessons about war, hate, forgiveness, hope, love, and man's best friend. (Youth Fiction BAR)



The Secret Life of Ms. Finkleman

by Ben H. Winters

Reviewed by Carly R.
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Do you ever wonder about your teachers? Who is Ms. Finkleman? And what was her past life before now?

Those are just some of the questions in *The Secret Life of Ms. Finkleman* a funny new book by Ben H. Winters.

The main character, Bethesda, does her "Special Project" on the very little known Ms. Finkleman, the music teacher. She was someone famous, but famous HOW? Was she a movie star? A criminal that was never caught or heard of? Was she a spy for the FBI or CIA? What was she??? Bethesda will do whatever it takes to find out by Friday!

But all of these questions stirred things up in the school. The Corral-Choral is coming up in 5 weeks, and they just switched from doing “Green Sleeves” to a Rock ‘N’ Roll concert, all because of Bethesda! It’s a comedy-adventure all in one! You’ll love this book! To find out what happens and what Ms. Finkleman was, you’ll have to read *The Secret Life of Ms. Finkleman* by Ben H. Winters. (Youth Fiction WIN)



A Tale Dark & Grimm

by Adam Gidwitz

Reviewed by Claire O.
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When you think of fairytales, you probably associate them as childish stories written into picture books and made into cheesy animated movies that you watched when you were four. Among them is Hansel and Gretel—one of the most famous fairytales of all time. The traditional tale is about two twins who travel into the forest and find a house made of candy. The baker woman living there fattens them up and tries to bake them, but the kids fool her into baking herself. The original is somewhat violent for a fairytale, but in *A Tale Dark & Grimm*, by Adam Gidwitz, the classic story is taken up a hundred notches to an extremely violent, gory, dark and truly frightening extended version of Hansel and Gretel’s journey!

Adam Gidwitz does a remarkable job in turning this simple story into a wild, bloody, and overall, just a more in-depth explanation of Hansel and Gretel. I, personally, enjoyed this book very much, but I would strongly recommend it to no one younger than ten. There are some events that might even disgust an adult! I myself found several parts terrifying enough to linger into my nightmares. But besides the terrible amount of pain, blood, and killing, I realized just how clever and creative the idea of *A Tale Dark & Grimm*, by Adam Gidwitz was. This is the best example of what the author calls: “An awesome fairytale.” (Youth Fiction GID)



Trackers Book #2: Shantorian

by Patrick Carman

Reviewed by Joseph M.
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Patrick Carman’s *Shantorian* is about four kids on a mission to track down a super hacker who has never been caught. Adam, Lewis, Emily and Finn are in the ISD which is a top secret agency. This agency is so secret that the FBI has never even heard of it. With the help from Lazlo (leader of group) and Zara (computer genius) they are out to stop Shantorian, an evil malefactor. But now Shantorian is threatening Adam to get him help with his scheme by opening bank accounts for him so he can get the money. On top of that, he wants him to push the “RED BUTTON” which will shut down the Internet so he won’t be

caught. If Adam refuses to open the accounts, then Shantorian will put all of Adam’s inventions on the Internet for everyone to see, and then people can take credit for his inventions. So they have to make a decision - should they do Shantorian’s bidding or try to catch him? Will the trackers finally catch him or be blamed for all the damage he did? Find out in *Trackers Book #2: Shantorian*.

I would highly recommend this book to people who like suspenseful fiction stories. It had loads of cool technology, but you need to pay attention or you could get lost. Fortunately, the book has really neat features like online videos to watch and appendixes to read to help you understand it. (Youth Fiction CAR)



Vixen

by Jillian Larkin

Reviewed by Irene D.
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Vixen by Jillian Larkin takes place in Chicago during the “Roaring Twenties.” The glorious time of flappers, music-filled nights, gangsters, speakeasies and all that jazz! *Vixen* follows the individual stories of three girls: Gloria Carmody, Clara Knowles, and Lorraine Dyer. Their stories collide, which I thought was great because you also got to know each girl’s perspective. Each girl had different, distinctive personalities, making them all interesting and likable! Personally, my favorite character was Gloria. She is a rebel type and kept me wondering what she would do next. I was antsy while reading, wondering how her story would end.

Gloria wants what they call “the flapper lifestyle”, but instead she is engaged to a man from one of Chicago’s most wealthy and powerful families. But since this is not exactly the life Gloria wants, she now spends her time going to the speakeasy called The Green Mill. Soon enough Gloria gets too caught up with her new flapper life.

Clara, Gloria’s cousin, seems to be so good and sweet and follows all the rules on the outside. But Clara has quite a lot of secrets that she decides to keep hidden. She will have to decide whether to tell about her past in New York or not. Lorraine is Gloria’s best friend (see how they are all connected!?) but she is tired of always being in her shadow. Her jealous envy gets the best of her and Lorraine begins to make a few very bad decisions that she will regret later in life.

Overall, this novel really surprised me! In honesty, I didn’t think I would like this book because of the historical content, which I am not usually crazy about, but when you have a great story like this—it makes it interesting. This book is not ONLY historical fiction, it is also romance, but in the end I did learn a bit about the 1920s. This book was definitely hard to put down; there are just so many twists and turns, and the ending leaves you wanting more (which is good since a sequel is due to come out this year). I hope that you’ll read *Vixen* by Jillian Larkin and enjoy it as much as I did!

(Adult Fiction-Teen LAR)



The Water Wars

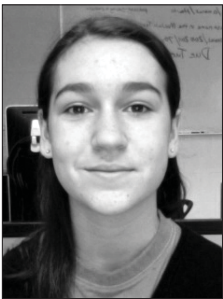
by Cameron Stracher

Reviewed by Phillip K.

Fairview South School

Imagine a society willing to fight for a glass of water because of its scarcity. Vera and her brother, Will, live in this type of world in *The Water Wars* by Cameron Stracher. They live in Illinowa, one of the six republics of where the United States of America used to be. This time period exists after the Great Panic, a period of time where the world is running out of water and they start to dam all the rivers and clouds. All over the world, everyone is fighting over the last drops of water. One day, Vera and Will are on their way to school. While waiting at the bus stop, they see a boy, with a cup of full water. There is about half of it left when he tosses it. Vera tells him it is illegal to throw out water. He thankfully listens to her warning and doesn't do it anymore. Eventually, after a couple weeks, Vera and Will are used to seeing the boy, Kai. However, one day he suddenly disappears. Vera and Will run to his house to check on him. When they get there, they find a dead guard and the whole house a mess. What happened to Kai? Can Will and Vera find him?

I would personally recommend this book if you like warfare or adventure, but it shouldn't be read if you get scared easily. This book would probably be best for ages 10+. *The Water Wars* is full of suspense, shooting, and narrow escapes, so I would recommend this book any day.
(Youth Junior High Fiction STR)



We Are Not Eaten By Yaks: An Accidental Adventure

by C. Alexander London

Reviewed by Emily R.

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"The Explorers Club is the most important society of adventurers, explorers, daredevils and globe-trekkers in the world" and Oliver and Celia Navel, residents of the 4½ floor, aren't at all excited about it. In fact, they'd like to spend the summer watching TV and eating cheese puffs. They can't be bothered when explorers come to tell stories of their amazing feats, especially when *Love at 30,000 Feet* or *The World's Greatest Animal Chases Three* is on. But, of course, that's not what fate has destined for them in the book *We Are Not Eaten By Yaks* by C. Alexander London.

The arrival of the annual Ceremony of Discovery brings many surprises, including a bet that sends the siblings to Nepal, weapons that fire blessings, and a search for the Lost Libraries of Alexandria. Getting a jump start, literally, is only the beginning of a chain of events that an average person couldn't handle. But Oliver and Celia are not just ordinary children. They are children of famous explorers.

This book was fast paced and exciting, but at times predictable. A 4th grader could easily tell that Oliver and Celia are not going to spend the summer watching TV! Even with all of its faults, *We Are Not Eaten By Yaks* by C. Alexander London was a quick, fun, and easy read. (Youth Fiction LON)



Wither

by Lauren DeStefano

Reviewed by Sean L.

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Imagine this... If you are a male you only live to age twenty-five. If you are a female you only live to age twenty. This is what people have to go through in the new book *Wither* by Lauren DeStefano.

Genetic engineering has done this to the human race. Rhine is one of the many who has to live through this horror. Her parents died in a lab when it exploded.

So Rhine is left alone with her twin brother, Rowan. They need money. One day on her way to work for the day, she was snatched and sold into a polygamous marriage. This is the only way humans can live on without dying off, since their life spans are so short. Rhine is separated from her brother and has to marry an older man.

Rhine ends up having two "sister wives" because the man she marries is already married to two other women, Cecily and Jenna. To make matters worse, the man who they were bought for, Governor Linden just lost his first wife (the wife that's loved the most). He needs another one who would make him happy.

Cecily, 13, thinks this is a perfect marriage. Jenna, 17, doesn't care about living anymore because she only has three years left to live. As for Rhine, she wants to escape. Then a servant named Gabriel gets added to the mix.

Gabriel is a servant to housemaster Vaughn, Linden's dad and a "first generation". First generations are people who were born before the plague of dying earlier. Gabriel gets Rhine's attention. They see each other everyday. So they become close friends. Rhine becomes attracted to him. So she decides that Gabriel should escape with her. But it is not that simple!

Will Rhine become first wife and be stuck with her fate? Will Rhine and Gabriel's escape plans work? Will Rhine and her brother Rowan ever see each other again? Find out in *Wither* by Lauren DeStefano, which is full of twists and turns that will make you keep reading. Believe me, it's a page turner.
(Adult Fiction-Teen DES)



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