

# RANT & RAVE

Book reviews for you, by you!

Can you believe it? *RANT & RAVE* has been going strong for two years now, thanks to your spectacular reviews. We know you've all be swamped with schoolwork so far this year, but winter break is coming soon. What better way to spend those snowy days than curled up with some hot chocolate, reading a great book? Here's wishing you lots of books and reading in the new year!

How does *RANT & RAVE* work? Four times each year, we collect book reviews from teens across Asheville and Buncombe County and publish them here. Our reviewers rate books on the following scale:

Terrible      Okay      The Best!



## *Little Women*, by Louisa May Alcott



*What is the book about?*

*Little Women* is the story of four sisters that have little money, but have a huge heart and feel rich in their hearts. They learn many things—Their father is at war and their “Marmee” is very kind. Join Beth, Amy, Joe, and Meg in their story of sacrifice, love, and laughter.

*What did you like?*

I loved everything about the book. I like how the sisters work together, and even though hard times come, they get through them together.

*What did you NOT like?*

The only thing I didn't like is that there is no sequel! :) There's so much more that could be written about and told about these four sisters.

*Would you recommend this book to your friends?*

YES! :) It is so beautiful and wisdom fills the pages.

*Lasting thought you took from the book. . .*

The lasting thought I took from this book was that these girls would sacrifice anything for each other, and they learned that money isn't the only way to be rich—your heart and home can be just as rich. . . even richer.

— Jasmine Bumgarner, 14  
East Asheville Public Library

## Upcoming Events for Teens at Buncombe County Libraries

### *Forest of Hands and Teeth*

#### Book Trailer Premiere

3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 5th

Weaverville Public Library

The Weaverville Teen Awesome Group has been hard at work filming a book trailer for *The Forest of Hands and Teeth*, by Carrie Ryan. Come see the finished product! Please call (828) 250-6482 for more information.

Check in with us online for information about future programs at [www.buncombecounty.org/Governing/Depts/Library/Teens.aspx](http://www.buncombecounty.org/Governing/Depts/Library/Teens.aspx)

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## Do you want your review published in *RANT & RAVE*?

Anyone ages 11 to 18 can submit a review. Look for a submission form at your local Buncombe County public library. (Or write a review in your own style – just make sure to tell us your name, the author's name, and the title of the book.)

Turn in your review at any library and look for it in the next issue of *RANT & RAVE*!

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