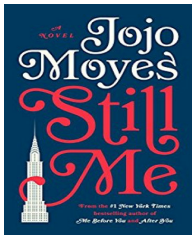


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## March 2018 Staff Picks



### **STILL ME**

**Author:** Jojo Moyes

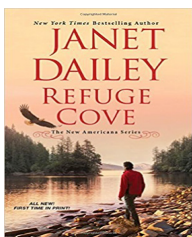
**Genre:** Popular Fiction

When I heard Jojo Moyes had a new book out that was a follow-up to *Me Before You* and *After You*, I was excited. I'd loved both

of her previous books featuring Louisa Clark. This one takes Louisa to New York City to work for a rich family. Louisa finds it difficult to continue her long-distance romance with ambulance driver Sam who has remained back in England. As events occur that challenge their relationship further and Louisa's work situation evolves into something else, Louisa begins questioning her identity, who she really is, and what she really wants. At the end of the book, she realizes she has to make her own decisions about her life. Will she stay in New York or return home? Will she allow her feelings for Will, who she still mourns, to influence her when a man who could be his twin enters her life? You will find out by reading another good book by Moyes. We have the book in New Fic Moyes and LT Fic Moyes.

**Reviewed by Debbie D.**

**Rating:** 9 out of 10



### **REFUGE COVE**

**Author:** Janet Dailey

**Genre:** Romance

When Emily Hunter left her life behind as a Kindergarten teacher in search of love and family in the wilds of Alaska, she has

no idea the man she thought she knew was not the man she believed him to be.

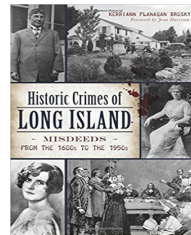
John Wolf spots Emily running for her life while flying over a muskeg in the Alaskan wilderness. He has to land to try and save her but finds himself embroiled in keeping her alive while her fake husband is set on making her pay for escaping his clutches.

Both Emily and John have to change if they are going to learn to trust each other and keep each other safe from a crazed maniac. This was a great story and very exciting.

We have it in MCN Fic Dailey.

**Reviewed by J. W.**

**Rating:** 10 out of 10



### **HISTORIC CRIMES OF LONG ISLAND: MISDEEDS FROM THE 1600'S TO THE 1950'S**

**Author:** Kerriann Flanagan Brosky

**Genre:** Local History

Award winning local author, Kerianne

Flanagan Brosky, has done it again. She has created her fifth book of fascinating Long Island history and lore. In her new book, *Historic Crimes of Long Island: Misdeeds from the 1600's to the 1950's*, Flanagan Brosky guides Long Islanders on a fascinating tour chock full of true stories or murder and mayhem originating from west to east on Long Island. Many of these shocking, but true stories are accompanied by photographs or illustrations, which helps to bring the faces and settings in the story to life.

Some of the locations of the stories in this book still exist today and can be visited. Walking through the town of Huntington, you can spot the cemetery high up on a hill where the British once planted "Fort Golgotha" during the American Revolution, or taking a leisurely drive out East to Cutchogue to visit the Wickham Farmhouse where in the dead of night in the year 1854, an Irish farmhand of the Wickham family, murdered them in cold blood while they were asleep in their beds. And, did you know that Long Island, like Salem, Massachusetts, had its very own witchcraft trial? All that and more is found within the pages of Flanagan Brosky's chillingly fascinating book.

Discover a new perspective on Long Island as you've never seen it before. This book is in new non-fiction 974.721 B.

**Reviewed by Teri T.**

**Rating:** 10 out of 10



### **NOT PERFECT**

**Author:** Elizabeth LaBan

**Genre:** Fiction

This story is so nice. It is a sweet story.

Husband leaves and mom keeps it

together for family. If you ever had to live

on nothing, it is the story for you. We have the book in New Fic LaBan.

**Reviewed by S. Walsh**

**Rating:** 10 out of 10



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#### **HUNTING PRINCE DRACULA**

**Author:** Kerri Maniscalco

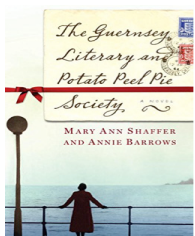
**Genre:** YA Horror Fiction

Audrey Rose Wadsworth and Thomas Cresswell, apprentices to Audrey's Uncle Jonathan, a forensic investigator in 1880's

London, return in this sequel to *Stalking Jack the Ripper*. Following the previous novel's tragic events, Audrey and Thomas are off to Romania to try for two available spots in the Academy of Forensic Medicine and Science in Romania, the most prestigious forensics school in Europe, housed in the Castle of Vlad Dracula. Audrey will be the only female student ever and is expecting trouble from the male students and faculty, who expect her to be a proper lady. But trouble begins even before they reach the castle. A man on the train is murdered with a wooden stake in his chest. Other murders in the castle and the surrounding countryside follow, with the victims being totally drained of their blood. Has Prince Dracula returned from the dead as the locals believe? Audrey and Thomas are determined to find the real murderer. An exciting mystery. We have it in YA MCN Fic Maniscalco.

**Reviewed by** Judith M.

**Rating:** 10 out of 10



#### **THE GUERNSEY LITERARY POTATO AND PEEL PIE SOCIETY**

**Author:** Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

**Genre:** Popular Fiction

Unusual English story told through letters from people on the Isle of Guernsey, which was cut off completely from England when Germany occupied it in WWII.

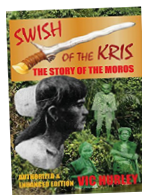
In postwar England, a young female author receives a request for a book from a member of this very curiously named book club. So starts a correspondence with other members, who tell stories of their simple lives turned upside down and coming together during the occupation and afterwards. Drawn to the island, the author visits them.

I started reading at first with a frown about these letters, got hooked by these quirky, down-to-earth people, and

LOVED the audio book where the reader gave each one their unique English accent which brought them to life even more. The story and people will make you want them for friends, and you'll end up looking at a map to see where Guernsey Island is, and then you'll want to write a letter to someone. The book is enjoyable, as well as endearing and memorable. CD audio is a treat. FYI . . . Listen or read the book now, as a movie is being made with some of the actors from *Downton Abbey*. We have the book in New Fic Shaffer and LT Fic Shaffer. The audio CD is on order.

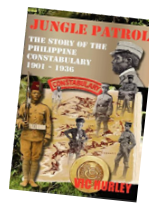
**Reviewed by** Grace D.

**Rating:** 9 out of 10



#### **SWISH OF THE KRIS: THE STORY OF THE MOROS**

#### **JUNGLE PATROL: THE STORY OF THE PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY 1901-1936.**



**Author:** Vic Hurley

**Genre:** History

Last year while mulling the terrorist problem, our President made a reference to something from the first decade of the 20th century. Stricken with a case of the High Vapors, what passes for our media blubbered that it was not true.

IT WAS NOT TRUE!!

Alas. Alack.

Having access to documents now lost and men who were there, Great War veteran and failed coconut farmer Vic Hurley wrote two of the best histories of the Philippines covering the years 1901 - 1936. With invaluable maps, cultural and linguistic data and even the salaries of servicemen by rank, they introduced readers to something Americans had never encountered before in their history... the Juramentado. Best described as a suicide decapitator, this tactic of the Islamic Moros constituted a major threat to American and Filipino lives...until a Colonel Rodgers with a theological insight unexpected in a cavalry man came up with a response so decisive that it rivals the Hiroshima bombing in effectiveness. This is what the President was referring to. The basis for a Gary Cooper film called *THE REAL GLORY* available in classic DVDs, these highly recommended books are in the new section 959. 9032 H.

**Reviewed by** James J.

**Rating:** 10 out of 10