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LIBERTY BELLE

EMILY UNGAR



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Reader Review

Aug 28, 2014 Angela Caldwell rated it 5 of 5 stars:
Liberty Belle by Emily Ungar is fresh and funny. When one tiny lie, to her friends miles away, multiplies Savannah becomes buried under the weight of them. However, when her friends come to visit Savannah becomes desperate to make her fake life real. Will she come clean to her friends and risk losing them? Or will she manage to pull off the best illusion ever of a life she dreamed up, limo and all? If you've ever had trouble making friends or moved away from all you've ever know you will relate to Savannah's pain, I enjoyed how the story intertwined and connected full circle. I would really like to follow Savannah on more adventures.

BIO



Emily Ungar is a graduate of Indiana University, where she majored in journalism. After living in seven different U.S. states by the time she finished college, she now lives in Indianapolis, Indiana, with her husband and very curious twin toddlers. When she isn't chasing after her twin boys, Emily loves to curl up in a chaise lounge with a book in one hand and a lemon cupcake in the other. Emily loves connecting with her readers, so she welcomes you to say hi on her **blog** at **emilyungar.com**.

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Excerpt 1

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Today is my twelfth birthday, and I'm in the backseat of our family Subaru holding a dead goldfish. Poor Frank bit it somewhere between Georgia and Washington D.C., and now I'm holding a sandwich bag full of water and the lifeless remains of last summer's carnival prize. Dad and I wanted to leave Frank's little body in a nice puddle somewhere along the highway, but Mom pointed out that the moving van would have to stop, too, and we would create a scene.

Mom's biggest fear is creating a scene, and Dad's biggest fear is upsetting Mom—that's why I have my lime-green iPod in my left hand and my dearly departed goldfish in my right hand. Oh, and we've just moved away from the only house I've ever known, on my birthday to boot, so I'm miserable. At least I got a new iPod and permission to have a Twitter account out of the deal. Parental guilt equals appealing personal electronics.

I wish I could bury Frank in our old yard—our *real* yard. Since my five requests to turn around were not accepted, I guess I have to bury him in our new yard. The description on the real estate website calls it a “lush, green lagoon,” so I hope Frank will feel right at home in his final resting place.

The backseat is ridiculously hot, and I scrape my lifeless hair into a high half-bun, half-ponytail with one of the several hair bands that are always hanging out on my wrist at any given time. I like the color of my hair—it's kind of a honey blonde—but it's so limp that it's hard to do anything with it. At least my eyes are blue, or everything above my neck would be one giant canvas of blah.

“Savannah.” Mom turns around, and I jump. She looks like a beetle when she wears Dad's sunglasses. “Can I have the iPhone back, please?”

I roll my eyes. Usually when we take road trips, Mom and Dad print out an extra copy of the map for me to follow along, but surprise, surprise, they forgot it this time—on the biggest road trip of all. I convinced Mom to let me hang on to her iPhone so I can keep tabs on the little dot moving across the map... and play a little Angry Birds at the same time, with headphones, because the little bird sounds annoy Mom like crazy. Mom hates to be more than six inches away from her iPhone, but since it's my birthday *and* they're making us move from Georgia to Washington D.C., she's being extra nice to me. I grudgingly hand the phone back to her.

Excerpt 2

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“Thanks, sweet girl,” she says. “I just need to check my email and see if they sent any more details about my first day on the job.” She smiles. “After we get to the hotel, we’re going to an extra special birthday dinner just for you.”

“I hope it’s not a seafood restaurant,” I mutter. Poor Frank the goldfish wouldn’t have cared for that at all. And besides, no seafood could ever be as amazing as the fried catfish from my favorite restaurant in Savannah—the beautiful city for which I was named. It’s a little goofy that I’m named Savannah *and* I’m from Savannah, but that’s okay. At least I can carry a little bit of my home city with me.

“Hey, can we leave Teddy in the hotel? He’d sleep the whole time anyway.”

Mom glances at my two-year-old brother, who has fallen asleep with a Garfield sticker on his upper lip. His name is Theodore, but he can’t pronounce the letter “r” so we call him Teddy. He’s old enough to get into every single one of my drawers, but he’s still so little that Mom defends him every time he does it. That drives me crazy. It took me ten years to perfect my only-child status after years of begging for a little brother and sister. Only after I finally stopped asking and began to appreciate the benefits of being an only child did Mom and Dad decide to have Teddy. By the time Teddy came around, I was over it, and now he’s just a slightly cute nuisance. I think they just wanted to wait until they had a free built-in babysitter.

“Of course not,” she says. “He has to come with us.”

“Great.” I sigh and turned my iPod up louder. Only My Chemical Romance will do for right now. I need as much angst as possible.

“So what are you listening to?” Mom asks just as I turned the volume up. Why is it that people always wait until the best part of a song to ask you something? I hit the pause button.

“My Chemical Romance.”

Mom makes a face as if she just smelled Teddy’s diaper. “What the heck is that?”

I roll my eyes. “Never mind, Mom. It’s too hard to explain.”

Actually, I’m halfway through the playlist I’d made just for the trip, titled *The Saddest Music I Can Think Of For The WORST Thing That Can Possibly Happen*.

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Sample Article

Faith-Based Publisher Launched an Anaiah Adventure

Anaiah Press, a digital-first publisher of faith-based books based out of St. Petersburg, Florida, recently released *Liberty Belle* by debut author Emily Ungar on August 12, 2014. Ungar's young adult adventure novel was transpired from her very own life while traveling from state to state during her younger years. It's difficult growing up in different areas never living in one residence long enough to call it your home. For twelve year old Savannah, she coped with transition by living in a fairytale. This false image of herself as the belle of the nation's capital could all be exposed when Savannah's friends come to visit shortly after her move from Georgia to Washington, DC. If her lies are exposed, Savannah may lose friendships both old and new.

Emily Ungar moved to 8 states before graduating high school due to her father's job placements. Often being the new kid on the block, Ungar experienced many moving struggles. These life lessons inspired Ungar to write a book to help other young children going through major life transitions. When Savannah came to life, this character took on a mind of her own and lead Ungar into other directions in relations to the struggles of young readers. Emily Ungar is a proud alumna of Indiana University, Bloomington in where she received her B.A. in Journalism. Ungar remains in Indianapolis now with her husband and identical twin toddler boys.

Anaiah Press is a St. Petersburg-based, digital-first publishing house dedicated to presenting quality, faith-based fiction and nonfiction books to the public. More than twenty authors, besides Ungar, have signed on with the new company, and their 2014 and 2015 lineup already promises a variety of genres for adults and children alike. Other titles releasing this winter include *The Story Catcher*, a children's picture book by Donna L. Martin; *Bound by Blood*, a romantic suspense by Scott Springer; *Operation Tree Roper*, a middle grade contemporary by Robert Polk; and *Revenge*, a contemporary romantic suspense by Paula Rose. For more information about the publisher and upcoming releases, visit www.anaiahpress.com.

