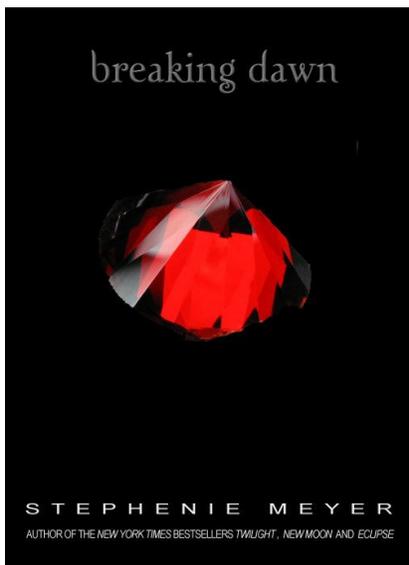


# TAB Newsletter

## Upcoming Event: Breaking Dawn Release Party, August 2

Can't get enough of Stephanie Meyer's Twilight series? Then join us on Saturday August 2 at 4pm for a Breaking Dawn release party. The party falls on the release of Meyer's latest book in the series.



Activities include a mummy wrap contest, themed snacks, trivia, as

well as other games and prizes. We will also be showing

clips of some of our favorite vampire movies, and the upcoming trailer for the 'Twilight' movie coming out in December! Dressing up is encouraged, if you'd like. Haven't read any of Stephanie Meyer's vampire books? Join us anyways because many of the events will be fun everyone! Event is from 4-5:30pm; registration is requested.

## Super Smash Bros. Brawl Video Game Review, By Josh McGrath and Frank Griffin

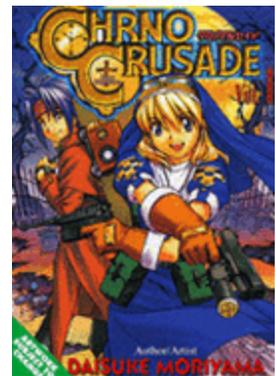
I give this: 4.5 out of 5 stars

This game overall was great and I would consider renting it before buying because it freezes a lot and that gets a little annoying. When you have many

people to do multi-player it becomes a great party game! This game had awesome characters but they could have made it better by adding more innovative controls. It started to seem like

each character had the same moves. This game is part of an awesome series and the first made a greater impact on the gaming industry.

## Manga Corner



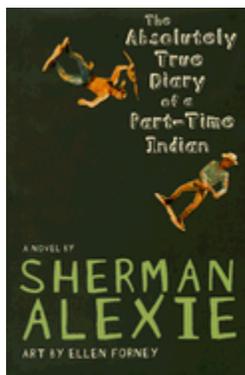
## Review by Hannah Harriman

I give this: 3 out of 5 stars

Chrono Crusade is the story about the girl Rosette who has dedicated her life to get her brother back from the clutches of her enemy. She willingly makes a contract with a demon named Chrono, therefore creating a bond with him, but every time he uses his powers she loses a few years of her life span. Can she save her brother before her life is all used up?

## 'The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian' By Sherman Alexie, Book Review

So what does it mean to be a part-time Indian? It means being called a traitor by your own tribe in order to gain opportunity at the neighboring white high school. In Sherman Alexie's first novel for young adults, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, Junior makes the controversial and brave decision to attend high school in a neighboring farm town rather than the local high school on the Spokane Indian Reservation he calls home. His parents, sister, and grandmother are proud of



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reservation team. Winner of several awards, including the 2007 National Book Award for Young People's Literature, Alexie's novel is touching, tragic, and funny; sometimes all at the same time. Giving an often heartbreaking account of life on an Indian reservation, this book is a must-read for any teenager wondering how or where they fit in, in life.

By Jessica Remington, Youth Services

## Have You Seen Our Blog? [www.roplteens.blogspot.com](http://www.roplteens.blogspot.com) Teen Services Goes Digital

Whether you're looking for book reviews or daily reminders about teen programs at the library, the NEW teen blog from ROPL writes about it.

This is the library's newest venture towards providing pertinent and valuable information online, and it's been a great success! With over 100 new visitors in less than 2 months, people from as close as Southfield and as distant as Pakistan have visited the library's teen blog.

"From book reviews to  
upcoming events, this blog is  
made for YOU"

Would you like to write an article for our blog? Although currently all of the postings have been by our trusty librarians, the library is look-

ing for interested teens to add their thoughts and ideas to the blog as well! If interested, please contact Stephanie Malosh at (248) 246-3736 or visit the library to sign up.

And don't forget to check out the site at [www.roplteens.blogspot.com](http://www.roplteens.blogspot.com). Posting comments online is always welcome.

By Stephanie Malosh, Youth Services

## Crazy Laws — They Really Exist! Submitted by Reed Tomaszynski

-In Alabama, dominoes may not be played on Sunday.

-In North Dakota, it is illegal to lie down and fall asleep with your shoes on.

-In Vermont, whistling underwater is illegal.

-In Wisconsin, state law made it illegal to serve apple pie in restaurants without cheese.

-In Montana, it is illegal to sleep in the cab of your truck without a chaperone.

-In Wyoming, it is illegal to take a picture of a rabbit during the month of June.

-In Michigan, it is illegal for a man to scowl at his wife on Sunday.

-In Kalamazoo MI, it is illegal to serenade your girlfriend.

-In Washington, all lollipops are banned.

-In Georgia, donkeys may not be kept in bathtubs.



Information found on the Aha Jokes website, [www.ahajokes.com/dumb\\_laws.html](http://www.ahajokes.com/dumb_laws.html)

## Zatch Bell Manga Review

(I give this: 4 out of 5 stars)

This week, I'd like to talk about a manga I loved until Naruto came out. It was always on Toonami and it was popular for a long time — Zatch Bell.

Zatch Bell is about an average teenage named Kiyo who lived a normal life until one day, he met a little boy (puppet...thing) on the streets and took him home to bring him back to full health. Kiyo later discovered the red book the boy was holding, and learns that it was a spell book! Crazy, huh?



know when reading Zatch Bell! If you pick any manga, see if they have Zatch Bell in stock.

Kiyo and Zatch later go on a crazy adventure that includes action and comedy, maybe even more puppet-boy-things to meet along the way! You never

I would recommend this book to anyone who hasn't heard of it, people who have, and people who have watched the TV show. You may have seen what's in the book, but you never know what parts they left exclusive to the manga. So read it, watch it, or forget it. But if you do forget it, you'll be missing out on one GOOD manga series.

Submitted by Calvin Brown

## 'Silverfin' by Charlie Higson Book Review

If you like the Alex Rider series, then you'll definitely like this. Silverfin is the first in a series, and is about James Bond when he was young. On the first Eton holiday, James goes to his aunt's house. There he finds out that a boy disappeared when he went out fishing one night, and James is

determined to find out why. Along the way he meets Red Kelly, the missing boy's young cousin. Together they uncover a horrible secret inside a castle. Find out what happens when you read Silverfin, an extremely action-packed book!

Submitted by Blair De Wilde Kohler

"I give this book 4 out of 5 stars!"



## Indulge your Funny Bone Submitted by Scott Hejka

Q: How many monsters does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

A: Twenty. One to do it, and nineteen to rebuild the house.

Q: What do you get when you cross a brilliant man and a monster?

A: Frank Einstein.

Q: What does Godzilla eat when he goes to a restaurant?

A: The restaurant.



Q: Why does Godzilla spew fire from his mouth and stomp on cars?

A: His favorite food is toast and traffic jam.

Q: Why was the ghost's message so scary?

A: It sent an eeee-mail.

Q: What do computers snack on?

A: Silicon cups, cookies, and spam; one byte at a time.

Q: How did the computer catch a cold?

A: Somebody opened too many windows.

Jokes printed in You Must be Joking!  
By Paul Brewer.

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## August 2008

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