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## Five Students Published in Collection of World War II Stories

Five current and former District students are published authors and illustrators, some for the second time, with the release of The Grannie Annie Family Story Celebration's 10th anniversary publication, "Echoes from World War II: Young Writers Sharing Family Stories."

The Grannie Annie is a local nonprofit that invites students from around the world in fourth through eighth grade to interview an older relative and write a story about their family's history which they can share with their family and community. Each year, The Grannie Annie selects several of these stories to include in its annual volume.

"Echoes" is The Grannie Annie's first themed collection. The forty-six stories published in "Echoes" – from student authors in seventeen U.S. states plus India and Moldova – had previously been published in one of Grannie Annie's annual volumes. The two stories from Clayton students were originally published from 2014: "Sugar, Stamps, Bikes, and Metal" by current Wydown Middle School seventh-grader Natalie Rose Schuver, then at Meramec Elementary School, and "The Silver Spoon," by current Clayton High School sophomore Amy Tishler, then at Wydown Middle School.

The three illustrations by Clayton students included in the publication also came from students at WMS: 2 graduate Petra Petermann illustrated "Growing Up German" in 2007, while seventh-grader Kim Cheng's illustration for "Ocean Waters," and seventh-grader Belle Gage's illustration for "Even Baseball Isn't Safe," drawn especially for "Echoes."

Students whose stories and illustrations appear in "Echoes" – as well as students who submit stories for "Grannie Annie, Vol. 11" – will be honored at a Family Stories Festival on Sunday, June 5, from 2-4 p.m. at Missouri History Museum in St. Louis. The public is invited to attend this event. Learn more at [www.TheGrannieAnnie.org](http://www.TheGrannieAnnie.org).



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