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Gordon and Leo are two retired firefighters who discover a pedophile has moved into their neighbourhood. So they hatch a wicked plot to clean up not only their street, but the entire city. Of course, Cyn Bathgate, a clever Phoenix homicide detective who is investigating arsons, has other plans.

A thriller Novella by Theo Cage and first in an upcoming series.

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## **Doseofbella says**

Crispy Critters By: Theo Cage

Pages. 43 Horror/Thriller

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Reviewed By: tk

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A Fantastic read. Equal parts of a thriller and comic relief.

Leo and Gordon are retirees and best friends. What started out as a poker night with the guys, five in all, is now down to only these two men. Poker playing is kind of dull with only two players. A new kind of game is invented to keep them busy on Tuesdays nights.

The internet is there source for information on level 3 pedophiles. The retirees are now hunting expo. Everything is going as planned, until they meet a woman crazier then themselves.

I know I cant do this review justice. I loved the story. I feel the same way when thinking of pedophiles. Angry and frustrated that they sentencing is so light for damaging young children for life. This story takes it one step further outside of the legal justice system. Completely believable characters and hilarious, along with Theo Cage's imagination makes this an excellent story. I felt sympathy, fear, justice, and laughed out loud.

Highly recommended. 5/5

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## **nora m malotte says**

### **Crispy Critters # 1**

For them that have never heard the term CRISPY CRITTERS, IT'S the name given by old fire fighters to people who have died in fires . Not being disrespectful. They simply try to find a bit of humor in a bad situation. Two old firefighters have sought to take vengeance in their golden years against really bad people. Not the right thing to do BUT WILL THEY ACTUALLY GET AWAY WITH IT ? I RECOMMEND , I BELIEVE YOU WILL ENJOY !

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## **Debbra Gray says**

### **Hum**

Not really what I expected but I liked it. This author definitely has a different writing style. It was refreshing. I would recommend this book to everyone.

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## **Winter Sophia Rose says**

Intense, Engaging & Funny! A Great Read! I Loved It!

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## **Liz Wood says**

### **Quick read**

Who would have thought two old retired firefighters could cause so much havoc. And turned tables make life so interesting.

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## **Denise Kuntz says**

### **Excellent**

I highly recommend reading! action-packed, short and very sweet! I am looking forward to reading more books by Theo Cage!

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## **Aymee says**

I kind of have mixed feelings about this novella. On one hand, I love the idea of taking out dangerous pedophiles and/or other criminals one by one. But, on the other... the law is the law for a reason. That said, this was an intense, keep you on the edge of your seat kind of read. I really enjoyed it and will look for more by this author.

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## **Tamara! aka AmyG.Dala says**

Warning: a bit of a spoiler in this review. Read at your own risk.

What happens when two old codgers get together and find a way to bring a little 'justice' and peace of mind through vigilante action? A fun story that had more twists than a lazy susan. A bit predictable, but just what I wanted, good guys getting away with murder, but getting caught up in their own web and how they get out of it is well worth reading, trust me!

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## **Maureen says**

What it lacks in brevity, this novella makes up for in substance. Quite a graphic, unsettling opening to this

tale of two retired firefighters, who decide to avenge the victims of paedophiles. The two main protagonists are really likeable ( even though they're actually murderers). As always, Theo Cage is excellent when dealing with the dark side of life. A good solid story squeezed into just 53 pages.

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### **Linda Look says**

I normally do not read short stories but I really enjoyed this one. A firefighter is suspected of killing ex-con pedophiles. Fast and interesting. I rate this a 5.0.

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### **Kathy says**

I really have had some difficulty writing a review of this book. While I hate pedophiles like the two main characters, I also abhor vigilantes. In my opinion, the law takes care of those who break the law. Leo and Gordon are retirees who have played poker for years. When the other members of their poker group die or move away, they get into some old fashioned vigilantism, directed toward pedophiles. Things go along well considering until one night they meet up with a nasty woman and her man, who try to put an end to their little projects. Needless to say, things get interesting. I enjoyed the easy flow of the story. It moved along so smoothly and quickly that I barely realized I was done with it when I reached the ending. The author definitely has a great writing style. I am just not sure about his storyline/plot—as I said, I am not a fan of vigilantism anywhere or any time. Still, these two old men had it right in many respects. I have not read anything else by the author but will now look for more of his works, since I enjoy his style. I think anyone looking for different, quirky sort of book or looking for something short and different will enjoy this book. I recommend you give it a try. I received this from Library Thing to read and honestly review.

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### **Will Decker says**

Although I wasn't sure what to expect, this story was not it. In fact, it was a whole lot more. A well written piece of fiction that entails police crime drama/vigilantism/thriller. Character development is good and the editing clean. A very entertaining read.

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### **J. says**

This is an excellent long short story, well written and thoroughly engaging from sentence one. The three main characters (Gordon, Red, and Bathgate) are real people, ready to walk off the page, and the minor ones aren't all that fuzzy, either. Leo, the second elderly firefighter, is kept out of the limelight, but what we do see of him rings true.

My gripes with the story are pretty minor:

- a) We don't learn of Gordon's actual motivation until the story's end, although we guess at it all along. Not sure why the author chose to delay that info. And
- b) The blurb doesn't do the story justice. At all. And so when I settled down to read it, the book wasn't at all what I expected.

Gripes aside, the story's enjoyable and exciting, as a thriller should be. If you like thrillers and strong suspense, this one won't steer you wrong. Five strong stars.

Note: I received a free copy of this story through the Library Thing Members Giveaway program in exchange for an honest review. The cost of the book does not affect the review received.

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**Nannette Thomas says**

**Grandparents revenge**

Two retired fire fighters decide to take care of pedifiles in their town only to get caught by two prdifiled

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**Cats of Ulthar February Weird Fiction says**

REVIEW CRISPY CRITTERS

Yesterday I picked up the author's BUZZWORM during a free promotion, then checked out his other books on Amazon and bought CRISPY CRITTERS. I read it today just after finishing a mystery for review, which synchronistically focused on a killer targeting rapists, murderers, pedophiles, and perpetrators of domestic violence. Here is a somewhat similar situation: the culprits target released sex offenders, those being "reintroduced" (euphemistically) into Society. The kicker is the identity of the culprits---very, very unexpected!! Then, even better, our two revengers cross their own Rubicon, in the form of a convicted and released pedophile, and his vicious whale of a roommate, a psychotic sociopath par excellence. I wish she could have a book of her own (she's a real hair-raiser)!

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