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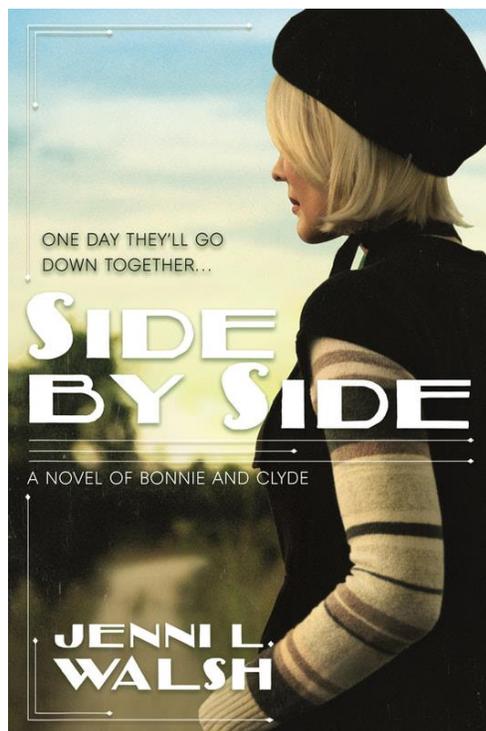
**Praise for BECOMING BONNIE:**

"Jenni L. Walsh delivers an intriguing insight into the life of one half of the infamous duo, Bonnie and Clyde."

- Hazel Gaynor, *New York Times* bestselling author

"I dare you not to fall in love with Bonnie, and her intoxicating, wholly immersive world."

- Lee Kelly, author of *A CRIMINAL MAGIC*



*Someday they'll go down together  
they'll bury them side by side.  
To few it'll be grief  
to the law a relief  
But it's death for Bonnie and Clyde.*

The story of America's most infamous crime spree told in the raw and honest voice of the woman who lived it, Bonnie Parker.

Texas: 1931. Bonnie Parker's dreams of the limelight and a white picket fence are on hold. She's a waitress in Dallas, endlessly writing letters to the governor pleading for the release of the man she loves: a reckless, quick-smiling boy named Clyde Barrow, sentenced to fourteen years at the notorious Eastham prison farm.

When Clyde is paroled early, Bonnie thinks their life is about to really begin. But Clyde has changed in prison. Distant, damaged, and dogged by the cops, he knows it's only a matter of time before the law tries to lock him up again. That's not something he or Bonnie can bear. When he's fired from his job—and now breaking parole—he decides to make a run for it. Leave Texas. Get enough cash to make a fresh start in a new state. And, of course, he wants his beloved Bonnie to come with him.

It's just one stolen car. One robbed bank. Then, they can have the life they always wanted. Or so they think, as they set out.

Unflinching and yet deeply empathetic, Jenni L. Walsh's *SIDE BY SIDE* tells the story of America's most iconic outlaws.

***SIDE BY SIDE* by Jenni L. Walsh**

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## About the Author



Jenni L. Walsh spends her days knee deep in words in Philadelphia's suburbia. Beyond words, Jenni is a mama (of an feisty four-year-old, an on-the-go two-year-old, and a needy newfypoo), a wife, a Philly and 'Nova sports fan, and a lover of carbs and Swedish fish (ideally consumed one after another).

Her debut novel, *BECOMING BONNIE*, received critical praise from *Booklist* and *Shelf Awareness*, and the audiobook received the Earphones Award from *AudioFile Magazine*.

In addition to her adult novels, Jenni also writes nonfiction books for children. Her debut middle grade series, *Brave Like Me*, is forthcoming from Scholastic and will feature true stories from women who, at a young age, accomplished daring feats of perseverance and bravery.

Talking points include:

- The allure of Bonnie and Clyde
- Fictionalizing iconic characters in history
- Balancing life as a stay-at-home mom and working author

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#### **More Praise for *Becoming Bonnie*:**

"Walsh's debut historical novel brings the Prohibition era, the Great Depression, and American gangsters to life through the personality and circumstances of a notorious moll who starts out as a good girl... Look forward to the sequel for later exploits of these notorious bandits." -

*Booklist*

"Walsh's rollicking narrative will have readers rooting for Bonnelyn-turned-Bonnie every (dance) step of the way." - *Shelf Awareness*

"Jenni L. Walsh's debut historical novel will make you wait for Clyde Champion Barrow, but you'll have fun along the ride, complete with an era that people just can't stop raving about: the Roaring Twenties." - *Bookreporter*