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Even though her dad calls her Unsinkable Molly McClain, eight-year-old Molly knows he worries about her all the time. In her opinion, he needs someone else to think about. And Molly's found the perfect candidate Miss Rachel, the arts and crafts instructor at Camp Firefly Wishes. Now all Molly has to do is get them together.

Rachel Thompson isn't sure she's ready for this camp or these kids. For one thing, the campers and their parents talk openly about their experiences, something Rachel's not prepared to do. Her secret is too painful. But little Molly and her father are hard to resist. Slowly they're teaching Rachel to value the past, deal with the present and believe in the future.

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Sharon says

Molly was an excellent character! Her story was sweet and her father, James, was a terrific guy. Rachel, our heroine, was a little hard to understand because sometimes she was hurt and grieving too much and other times cold and miserable. Excellent resolution to all the story lines but Molly definitely made the story.

Sharon Forbes says

I really loved this book! I don't usually give 5 stars to a Harlequin romance, but this book was so much more than just a romance between the man and woman, it was really about the love of a family, or becoming a family. This is about a little girl, Molly McClain, who received, a few years prior, a donor heart. It's also about a woman, Rachel Thompson, who, a few years back, lost her son in an accident, and donated his organs to help others in need. Rachel goes to the summer camp Molly is attending, Camp Firefly Wishes, for kids like Molly that have received donated hearts, because it is a part of Rachel's therapy. There, Rachel meets Molly and her dad, James, who counsels Rachel. They develop strong feelings for each other, but it's much more than just a romance. It's about overcoming emotional obstacles, learning to trust, and become a real family. A wonderful, heartfelt book that I had a hard time putting down.

Saly says

This book deals with a very heavy subject, children who have had organ transplants, the parents dealing with uncertainty and parents whose children have been organ donors.

The heroine Rachel is falling apart, she can't seem to function at all & now her teaching job is at risk and she has been sent by her father to a camp where transplant children come. For Rachel her grief is too personal, her son Daniel died one and a half years ago and she hasn't been able to deal with it.

The hero James, is a single, over-protective parent whose daughter Molly received a transplant. He adores his daughter and she is his life. His ex-wife left since Molly was born with a birth defect but he's been there always and hasn't had time for dating or anything.

Molly wants her father to date since he is alone and worries too much about her.

James is a counselor but he wants to be Rachel's friend and so he is and soon they are getting in deeper but he doesn't know if Rachel can withstand the hospital visits etc

I liked the book, the subject it dealt with was heavy but I have read much better by this author.

Ana says

– Susan Gable is a good writer who knows how to create characters that will touch your heart. While The Mommy Plan is on the huggy / feely / perfect fairytale ending side of things, it was still a good read. Molly is too cute and her machinations are reminiscent of The Parent Trap. ~ Ana, www.ireadromance.com

Biba says

This was a really cute and emotional book. I loved Molly, and her relationship with Miss Rachel.

Andrea says

Ohh my, I've never thought about organ donors like this before and I really thought this was well written and I was crying in several parts of this book. It really touched me and I would recommend this to anyone.

Kay says

4 1/2 Stars ~ When a playground accident brought a declaration of brain death, the hardest part was letting go of her 4 1/2 year old son while his heart still beat. Rachel didn't want them to cut her son's perfect body, but her father and ex-husband convinced her that his death could mean life to other children. And so Rachel became the mother of a donor child, and much of her new life was spent watching the paint peel. From the moment James met the pretty art teacher, he knew there was something deep inside her eating away at her soul. He'd promised to take off his Dr. Psychologist hat for the two week duration of summer camp, and just be a Dad for his transplant recipient daughter. Hopefully the weak child Molly had been would be forever a memory. Even though a new heart beat strongly, James couldn't help his need to over protect his daughter. Molly wants more freedom to enjoy her new life, and that means getting her Dad to focus on someone else. She's seen the look of interest in her Dad's eye when he looked at Miss Rachel and this sets the 10 year old on a mission of matchmaking. Rachel's never really dealt with her son's death, and facing these brave families is hard for her. When James learns of her tragic loss, he instinctively wants to help her, and slowly he and Molly unlock her heart and show her how to live again.

Though there are wonderfully warm moments, this is not a warm and fuzzy feeling romance. Molly's an awesome character, eager for new experiences and full of the wisdom of a survivor. She brings out the best in both James and Rachel. Though Rachel has tremendous baggage, James holds steady and refuses to let her sink under the weight. Rachel fully understanding James fear of losing Molly, helps him to loosen the over protective hold. Ms. Gable has a remarkable talent for breathing life into her characters, offering sobering storylines and then balancing them with poignant and joyful moments. This is a story that will stay in my heart for some time.
