

***City Under One Roof* by Iris Yamashita**

When a severed foot still in a boot rolls in with the tide near a small Alaskan town, things get a bit spooky. All the winter residents of Point Mettier live in Davison Condos, a large building originally used as a military station. The general store, two restaurants and police station are also either in the building or attached through underground tunnels. It's an isolated existence, in fact, the only way into Point Mettier in the winter is through a tunnel and that tunnel is closed when bad weather moves through.

Amy, a teenager, and her friends find the boot and a severed hand on the beach and speak with the local officers. Detective Cara Kennedy arrives from Anchorage to help with the investigation. Cara brings her own secrets to Point Mettier. Cara is currently on disability leave following the disappearance of her husband and son, and after hearing about the body parts she wants to see if there is any connection to her family's disappearance. Almost as soon as Cara arrives a blizzard rolls in, closing the tunnel and trapping her in Point Mettier. When a severed head is unburied near the condos, the murder suspect investigation moves from outsiders to those living in Point Mettier.

This is a first book for author Iris Yamashita. The story ends with unanswered questions...so maybe this is a series in the making? I really enjoyed the uniqueness of the Alaskan setting, and the oddity of a community all living in one building.