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# The latest 'moos' about WISCONSIN-SCBWI Spring 2017 Releases

Picture Books, Middle Grade, and YA  
by Wisconsin authors & illustrators  
(Fall release updates, too!)

## BIG & LITTLE QUESTIONS (ACCORDING TO WREN JO BYRD)



**Author:** Julie Bowe  
Middle grade  
**Kathy Dawson Books/Penguin  
Young Readers Group**  
March 21, 2017  
ISBN: 9780803736931

From the author of the successful Friends for Keeps series comes Wren Jo Byrd, a nine-year-old introvert whose life has gone topsy-turvy ever since her dad moved out.

## OCTO-MAN and the HEADLESS MONSTER



(Book 1 in the series THE ESCAPADES of CLINT McCool)  
**Author:** Jane Kelley  
**Illustrator:** Jessika von Innerebner  
Early chapter book  
**Grosset & Dunlap**  
May 9, 2017

ISBN: 978-0448487533  
Clint McCool meets a monster on a movie set! Zing, zong, zing! Brain flash! Will Clint McCool's great ideas help him save the movie - or just get him into trouble?

## SOL-RAY MAN and the FREAKY FLOOD



(Book 2 in the series THE ESCAPADES of CLINT McCool)  
**Author:** Jane Kelley  
**Illustrator:** Jessika von Innerebner  
Early chapter book  
**Grosset & Dunlap**  
May 9, 2017

ISBN: 978-0451533395  
Broken water pipes. Flood! Alligators? Zing, zong, zing! After Sol-Ray Man's school visit is cancelled, Clint McCool must save the day—if he can just control his brain.

## HOLD



**Author:** Rachel Davidson Leigh  
Young Adult  
**Duet Books**, the YA imprint of Interlude Press  
October 20, 2016  
ISBN: 9781945053092

After his sister's death, Lucas Aday can hardly drag himself back to school. He couldn't possibly prepare himself to stop time or to fall for the only other boy who doesn't stop moving.

## TWO TROLL TALES FROM NORWAY



**Illustrator:** Ingrid Kallick  
**Author:** Margrete Lamond  
Picture book, traditional tales  
**Christmas Press Picture Books**  
September 14, 2016  
ISBN: 9780994234056

Retold in lively and authentic style and sumptuously illustrated, these Norwegian stories of magic and mischief will enthrall young readers.

## THE MARCH AGAINST FEAR: The Last Great Walk of the Civil Rights Movement and the Emergence of Black Power



**Author:** Ann Bausum  
Young adult nonfiction  
**National Geographic**  
January 3, 2017  
ISBN 978-1-4263-2665-3

On a hot June afternoon in 1966, a black man set out to walk across his home state of Mississippi, but, one day later, he was shot and wounded in a roadside attack. What started as one man's fight against racism became a cause championed by thousands as the March Against Fear.

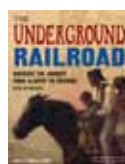
## BLOBFISH THROWS A PARTY



**Author:** Miranda Paul  
**Illustrator:** Maggie Caton  
Picture Book  
**Little Bee Books**  
(dist. Simon & Schuster)  
May 2, 2016

ISBN: 9781499804225  
The deep sea is dark and lonely. To change that, Blobfish decides to throw a party. But when his invitation turns into a telephone game gone wrong, evil aliens overhear! Will Blobfish's efforts ever bring him friends and treats, or is he (and the planet) doomed?

## THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD: NAVIGATE THE JOURNEY FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM



**Author:** Judy Dodge Cummings  
**Illustrator:** Tom Casteel  
Middle grade non-fiction  
**Nomad**  
March 14, 2017  
ISBN: 1619304864

Readers follow true stories of enslaved people who traveled the network of secret routes and safe houses in a quest for freedom. Amidst the countless tragedies that slavery brought to African Americans lie tales of hope, resistance, courage, sacrifice, and victory—truly an American story.

## CIVIL WAR LEADERS



**Author:** Judy Dodge Cummings  
Middle grade nonfiction  
**Essential Library**  
August 15, 2016  
ISBN-10: 1680782762

Examines the presidents, generals, and other leaders who shaped the course of the Civil War. Glossary, resources, source notes, historic photographs, and primary sources, make the book a valuable asset for students researching the Civil War.

## BJORN'S GIFT

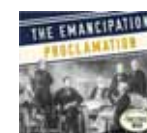
(Book Two in ODIN'S PROMISE trilogy)



**Author:** Sandy Brehl  
Middle grade historical fiction  
**Crispin Books**,  
imprint of Crickhollow Books  
October 5, 2016  
ISBN: 978-1-883953-84-3

Set during the German occupation of Norway in World War II, young Mari faces hardships and risks while responsibilities escalate as she struggles to find answers to impossible questions.

## THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION



**Author:** Judy Dodge Cummings  
Middle grade nonfiction  
**Essential Library**  
August 15, 2016  
ISBN-10: 1680782797

Presents the politics and root issues of the Civil War and examines how President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation changed history. Gripping narrative text, historic photographs, and primary sources make the book perfect for student research.

## WAKING IN TIME



**Author:** Angie Stanton  
Young adult  
**Capstone Publishing  
(Switch Press)**  
March 1, 2017  
ISBN: 978-1-63079-070-7

Explores thrilling new territory by combining a breathless love story with a captivating time travel mystery. Slip through time and discover the future in your past.

## FRAN AND FREDERICK HAMERSTROM: Wildlife Conservation Pioneers



**Author:** Susan Tupper  
Middle grade nonfiction  
**Wisconsin Historical Society**  
January 23, 2016  
ISBN: 978-0-87020-732-7

Husband and wife team Fran and Frederick Hamerstrom worked in Wisconsin to save the greater prairie chicken from extinction. The Hamerstroms dedicated their lives to understanding and preserving wildlife.