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.

**HOLD**
*Author: Rachel Davidson Leigh*
Young Adult
*Duet Books*, the YA imprint of Interlude Press
*October 20, 2016*
ISBN: 9781940503092
Is it a test? Is it cancelled? Clint McCool must save the Broken water pipes. Flood! Alligators? Zing, zong, zing! Brain flash! Will Clint McCool meet a monster on a movie set! Zing, zong, zing! Will Clint McCool’s great ideas help him save the 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?

**TWO TROLL TALES FROM NORWAY**
*Author: Margrete Lamond*
Illustrator: Ingrid Kallick
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 enthral 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*
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.

**CIVIL WAR LEADERS**
*Author: Judy Dodge Cummings*
Middle grade nonfiction
*Essential Library*
*August 15, 2016*
ISBN-10: 978-1-945053092
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.

**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 lies tales of hope, resistance, courage, sacrifice, and victory—true American stories.

**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.

**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.

**FRAN AND FREDERICK HAMERSTROM: Wildlife Conservation Pioneers**
*Author: Susan Tupper*
Middle grade nonfiction
*Wisconsin Historical Society*
*January 23, 2016*
ISBN-10: 1680782762
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.