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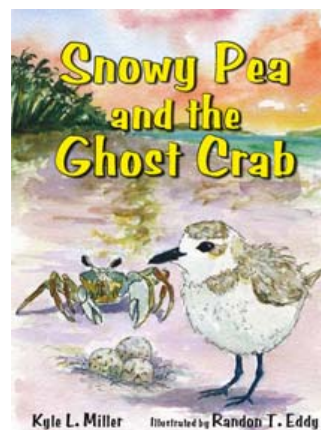
Sanibel author is awarded silver in Florida Children's Fiction Category



Sanibel Island, Florida - 11/14/2011 - *Snowy Pea and the Ghost Crab* (ISBN 978--0-9769332-3-6, Jungle House Publications, 2011) by Kyle L. Miller, illustrated by Randon T. Eddy, won the Florida Publishers Association's 2011 President's Silver Award in the category of Florida Children's Fiction.

The children's book, published by Jungle

House Publications, for children ages seven to eleven, is a fictional story featuring a Snowy Plover shorebird, a maverick ghost crab and fourteen other birds commonly seen on coastal beaches. Unable to hatch her eggs due to predation, the tiny bird lays three eggs on a barrier island off the Southwest coast of Florida. The entire group of characters form the "Snowy Pea Protection Plan" to guard the nest for twenty-four days against predators. In the end two of Snowy Pea's three eggs hatch. This educational and entertaining chapter book is for children (and adults) wanting to learn about the variety of wildlife along the seashore. Awarded annually, the Florida Publishers Association's President's Award's include one Gold winner and two Silver award winners. It is the most prestigious award provided by the publishing industry in Florida and is universally recognized as one of the publishing world's premier seals of approval.



"I am honored and thrilled that *Snowy Pea and the Ghost Crab* was awarded the Silver Medal by the Florida Publishers Association," said author Kyle Miller. "Knowing the award entries were judged by three independent Florida librarians, makes this award exceptionally special. I want to also give praise and credit to Randon T. Eddy, a well known Sanibel, FL artist, whose charming illustrations give the book depth, and true-to-character imagery that makes the story come alive." Miller added, "As a member since 2005, I can't say enough about the Florida Publishers Association and their ongoing support and promotion of publishers, self-publishers, and authors."

An avid wildlife supporter and the author of a 2009 Eric Hoffer Award winner, *DILLO - A Baby Armadillo's Adventure on Sanibel Island*, Kyle Miller is getting ready to publish her third book, *TROUPER - The True Adventures of a Blind Raccoon: The Beginning*, a true account of the rescue and rehabilitation of a physically challenged unique raccoon, now an animal ambassador for children's wildlife educational programs in South Florida.

For additional information about the Florida Publishers Association, visit www.floridapublishersassociation.com.

Snowy Pea and the Ghost Crab is available online at: www.junglehousepublications.com, (239) 472-0599, www.theislandbooknook.com, (239) 472-6777, Amazon.com, and a number of retail stores on Sanibel Island. Kyle Miller will be presenting at the Kidz World Expo, Nov. 19, at the Imaginarium in Fort Myers, FL.

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