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Local Author Releases her Third Children's Book in Award Winning Series

Allenton, Michigan – An essential part of being successful in life is having good self-esteem. Dana Lehman approaches this issue in her third children's book in the Walnut Grove series, *I Can Do It*. Dana believes that if you are confident, persistent, and determined you can achieve your dreams. She encourages children to follow their dreams by taking one step at a time toward their goals. Dana believes that books are a successful way to approach this issue with children. All three of her children's books teach valuable life lessons.

Sammy enjoys visiting new places, so he decides to take his friends to an enchanted forest called Whispering Willows. Along the way and through Paradise Pond, Bucky realizes that with practice and confidence, he can finally swim! Join Sammy and his friends on a journey that will have them swimming for frogs, swinging through the forest, and building a tree house. Magical things happen in Whispering Willows...if you believe in yourself!

The first book in this series, *Adventures at Walnut Grove: A Lesson about Teasing*, is a recipient of the Mom's Choice Awards. *Adventures at Walnut Grove* won the silver for values and life lessons. Sammy, is a squirrel, who gets teased because he has eyes like a raccoon. Sammy knows that name-calling is not nice, but his friends have a valuable lesson to learn. The name-caller soon becomes the one being teased. *Adventures at Walnut Grove: A Lesson about Teasing* is a story about friends that learn to treat others the way they would like to be treated.

The second book in this series, *I DOUBLE Dare You!*, is also a recipient of the Mom's Choice Awards. *I DOUBLE Dare You!* won the silver for developing social skills. Silly and Sassy come to Walnut Grove to visit their cousin Sammy. Silly and Sassy are *always* getting into trouble. They play hide 'n seek, have frog races, and play dare or *double* dare. How does this lead to jumping off a bridge? Read *I DOUBLE Dare You!* to find out how everyone learns to take responsibility for his or her own actions. They will also discover that it's not always wise to follow your friends.

Dana Lehman currently resides in Allenton, Michigan with her husband and their two children. Dana graduated from Macomb Community College. She has been a stay-at-home mom for ten years. Dana enjoys speaking with children and teachers at school visits. Dana's children and love of nature continually inspire her to keep writing children's books.

Dana is fortunate to have her mother-in-law, Judy Lehman, illustrate all of her books using watercolors. Judy is a retired elementary school teacher. She

currently lives in Hubbard Lake, Michigan with her husband. Judy has been an artist for thirty-nine years.

Their goal at Lehman Publishing is to produce quality children's books that teach valuable life lessons in a fun and imaginative way.

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