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SOUTH MILWAUKEE AUTHOR INTRODUCES LATEST PICTURE BOOK
What Makes Caves So Special?

Mount Pleasant, S.C. (Feb. 6, 2012) –Sylvan Dell Publishing is proud to introduce a new animal adventure from Janet Halfmann with *Home in the Cave* February 10. This is Halfmann’s third title from Sylvan Dell Publishing.

Home in the Cave takes readers along with Baby Bat as he explores the deepest, darkest corners of his cave to meet amazing animals—animals that don’t need eyes to see or colors to hide from enemies. He learns how important bats are to the cave habitat and how other cave-living critters rely on them for food.

Halfmann’s previous Sylvan Dell picture book, *Fur and Feathers* received both the Teachers’ Choice Award and a gold Moonbeam award.

Halfmann is the author of more than thirty fiction and nonfiction children’s books, including *Home in the Cave*, *Fur and Feathers*, and *Little Skink’s Tail* for Sylvan Dell. Other recent titles include *Eggs: 1, 2, 3*; *Star of the Sea: A Day in the Life of a Starfish*; *Good Night, Little Sea Otter*; *Garter Snake at Willow Creek Lane*; and *Seven Miles to Freedom: The Robert Smalls Story*. Before becoming a children’s author, Halfmann was a daily newspaper reporter, children’s magazine editor, and a creator of coloring and activity books for Golden Books.

The Chinton Arts Council Gallery will be hosting a launch event for Halfmann February 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Halfmann will also appear at Schuler Books March 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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For more information about Halfmann visit www.janethalfmann.com. For more information about *Home in the Cave* visit www.sylvandellpublishing.com/bookpage.php?id=117.

Visuals & Other Requests: For cover art or Halfmann’s headshot, visit www.sylvandellpublishing.com/ImageGallery.htm. For all interview requests or media queries, please contact Sylvan Dell’s publicist, Ashlee Rowe, at (877) 243-3457 or ashleerowe@sylvandellpublishing.com.

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