

MEDIA ALERT 10/8/08

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Shhh....the *Animals Are Sleeping!*

ILLINOIS CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHOR, SUZANNE SLADE,
SIGNS BOOKS AT UPCOMING EVENTS

WHAT

Children's book author Suzanne Slade got the idea for her latest picture book, *Animals Are Sleeping*, from a simple question her daughter asked during a drive through the country. "Did you know they sleep standing up?" her ten-year-old daughter had inquired as she pointed to several horses on an Amish farm. Slade was surprised to learn horses can sleep standing up and was also inspired to write a picture book about the fascinating ways different animals sleep.

So how do animals sleep in the wild? Slade's *Animals Are Sleeping* (Sylvan Dell Publishing, 2008) teaches young readers just that! Some sleep standing up; others sleep while swimming or flying! The short, lyrical text provides fascinating information, such as location, position and duration of sleep of animals in different habitats. The satisfying conclusion will have children reaching for this book again and again at naptime, bedtime, or any time of day.

**WHERE?
WHEN?**

- Oct. 14, 9 AM-11 AM, Christ Lutheran Preschool, Vernon Hills, Author visit
- Oct. 16, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM, Barnes and Noble, Vernon Hills, Reading and Signing
- Nov. 19, 7:00 PM-9:00 PM, Family Reading Night at Rockland Elementary, Libertyville, Reading and Visit

EXPERIENCE

Suzanne Slade (*What's New at the Zoo?*, Fall 2009, and *Animals are Sleeping*) is the **author of over 60 books for children**. Her works include picture books, biographies, as well as many non-fiction titles about animals, sports, insects, planets, and various science topics. One of her favorite parts of the writing process is researching and learning about new topics. Find out more about her books and **how this rocket engineer became a prolific author** on her website www.suzanneslade.com.

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Take advantage of Slade's expertise and schedule an interview or event! Contact Sylvan Dell Publishing's publicist, Sara Dobie, at SaraDobie@SylvanDellPublishing.com, or (877) 958-2600.

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