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### Wishing I Was Fishing



[wishing-i-was-fishing.com](http://wishing-i-was-fishing.com)

New local author, Eva Wells, has written a delightful children's picture book capturing a favorite past-time in the land of 10,000 lakes.

"Wishing I Was Fishing" (Beaver Pond Press/2007/ \$16.95) is an enchanting tale of a young boy's excitement for a day spent fishing with his dad and their dog. Beautiful watercolor illustrations and poetic words weave the story - from gathering gear at the

house and skipping rocks from the dock to watching the bobber go down and the first fish of the day. At day's end, mom greets them at the door to hear of their catch.

Filled with tradition, family, patience and joy, "Wishing I Was Fishing" is for kids of all ages, as well as moms and dads, aunts and uncles, grandmas and grandpas, teachers and friends. It's the perfect story at home or at the cabin.

For Eva Wells, the journey of writing "Wishing I Was Fishing" began years ago. As a little girl, she often fished with her dad. They shared a love of writing; he as a musician, she as a storyteller. Sadly, Eva's dad passed away in 1999. In her father's memory, Eva wrote a poem, "My Daddy is an Angel." Her special gift of words and her passion for writing resurfaced. Encouraged by a publisher to follow her dream of writing a book, Eva began carrying a journal to capture her thoughts, never knowing when inspiration would appear.

It would be a few years later. Fishing had become a central part of Eva's own family, starting with a fly-in fishing trip with her husband for their honeymoon. Fishing adventures with their two young boys followed. In July 2005, Eva and her husband were on Rainy Lake. The walleye weren't biting and Eva's thoughts drifted to her children back home, along with tender images of them helping their dad prepare for a trip of their own. Suddenly, she pulled out her journal and began to tell the lyrical story of a child fishing with his dad.

"Wishing I Was Fishing" is a true inspiration for those who enjoy the outdoors. It's your own day on the lake - past, present or future.

For more information, visit [www.wishing-i-was-fishing.com](http://www.wishing-i-was-fishing.com). Currently, the book is available through its

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#### About the Author

Eva Wells lives in Woodbury, Minnesota, with her husband, two sons and their dog, Sam. She grew up in Saint Paul, Minn., received a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Spanish from Concordia College. She is a CPA with an MBA from Metropolitan State University.

#### About the Illustrator

Chandra Dale grew up in Saint Paul, Minnesota. She currently lives in Port St. Lucie, Florida with her husband and two children. She holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design from Mankato State University (now Minnesota State), as well as an Associate of Arts from Bethany Lutheran College.

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