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## **SPEND *A DAY IN THE SALT MARSH* WITH AUTHOR KEVIN KURTZ**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR RETURNS TO SOUTH CAROLINA FOR WORKSHOPS AND SIGNING**

**MT. PLEASANT, S.C.** (March 5, 2009) – Award-winning children’s book author Kevin Kurtz has a long history in South Carolina. For most of the past decade, Kevin has acted as an environmental educator and curriculum writer for organizations such as the South Carolina Aquarium, the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, and the South Carolina Marine Educators Association. He also helped develop and was the first coordinator of the South Carolina Aquarium’s High School Intern Program, which recently won AZA’s Diversity award. He now resides in Eugene, Oregon, but as of March 10, he’s back educating the Lowcountry!

*A Day in the Salt Marsh* (Sylvan Dell Publishing, 2007) is Kevin’s first children’s book, and it was selected as a finalist for the 2008 Florida Publishers Association President’s Award, the 2008 Maine Chickadee Award, and the 2007 Green Earth Book Award. It focuses on one of the most dynamic habitats on earth. Fun-to-read, rhyming verse introduces readers to hourly changes in the marsh as the tide comes and goes. Watch the animals that have adapted to this ever-changing environment as they hunt for food or play in the sun, and learn how the marsh grass survives even though it is covered by salt water twice a day.

#### **Kevin’s upcoming events include:**

- **Tuesday, March 10, Dutch Fork Elementary, Irmo, SC, School Visit**
- **Wednesday, March 11, Laurel Hill Elementary School, Mt Pleasant, SC, School Visit**
- **Thursday, March 12 (Morning), St. Andrews School of Math and Science, Charleston, SC, School Visit**
- **Thursday, March 12 (Afternoon), Archibald Rutledge Academy, McClellanville, SC, School Visit**
- **Friday, March 13, Laing Middle School, Mt. Pleasant, SC, School Visit**
- **Friday/Saturday, March 14 and 15, Belle Baruch Marine Lab, Georgetown, SC, “Photographs, Poems, Pencils, and Pluff Mud” Teacher Workshop**
- **Sunday, March 15, 2:00pm-4:00pm, Barnes and Noble, Mt. Pleasant, SC, Signing**

Take advantage of Kevin’s expertise and schedule an interview while he’s back in South Carolina! Contact Sylvan Dell’s publicist, Sara Dobie, at [SaraDobie@SylvanDellPublishing.com](mailto:SaraDobie@SylvanDellPublishing.com) or (877) 958-2600 for more information. The Sylvan Dell mission statement is “science and math through literature;” they encourage cross-curricular education, and their books have won over 70 awards and have been featured on recommended reading lists in Texas, Florida, Kansas, and additional states nationwide. To learn more about Sylvan Dell Publishing, please visit [www.SylvanDellPublishing.com](http://www.SylvanDellPublishing.com).

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