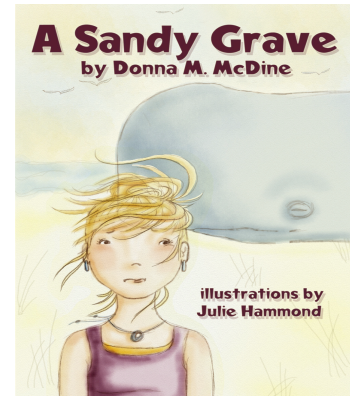


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Beach Book Festival 2014 Honorable Mention Awarded to Whale Poacher Children's Book, *A Sandy Grave* by Donna M. McDine

TAPPAN, NY (June, 2014) – The winners, runner-ups, and honorable mentions of the 2014 Beach Book Festival have been announced. *A Sandy Grave* by Donna M. McDine and illustrated by Julie Hammond has earned honorable mention in the children's book category.

Title: *A Sandy Grave*

Category: Chapbooks for Tweens

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About *A Sandy Grave*: The anticipation of summer vacation can put anyone in a great mood with the excitement of adventures to be had--especially at the beach. But what is a group of friends to do when they discover mysterious men poaching whale teeth at the beach?

What Reviewers Are Saying...

"The book is an enjoyable read and makes children aware of poaching and illegalities associated with it. During times of dwindling marine life and plants, it is important to save them. This book teaches children to protect marine life and endangered animals." ~ Reviewed by Mamta Madhavan for Readers' Favorite Five Star Review

“A Sandy Grave is a good fast read for the individual reader or for parents to read to their younger children. It engages the reader and opens up a dialogue between parents and children on the many different issues in the book. Most of all, McDine shows that children can respect authority without fearing it and parents and those in roles of responsibility can respect the contribution that children can make to society.” ~ Reviewed by Rebecca’s Writing Services

About the Author: Donna McDine is a multiple award-winning children's author. She writes and moms from her home in the historical hamlet Tappan, NY. McDine is a member of the SCBWI and Family Reading Partnership. Learn more about McDine’s writing career at www.donnamcdine.com and www.donna-mcdine.blogspot.com.

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