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NEW CHILDREN'S BOOK RELEASE: *PERCH, MRS. SACKETS, AND CROW'S NEST*

10-year-old Andy Parker faces his grief in a summer filled with family and surprises

Title: *Perch, Mrs. Sackets, and Crow's Nest*

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Alma Little, an imprint of award-winning independent publisher Elva Resa Publishing, is pleased to announce *Perch, Mrs. Sackets, and Crow's Nest*, a children's novel by Karen Pavlicin, will be released October 5, 2007.

Perch, Mrs. Sackets, and Crow's Nest tells the story of a boy trying to make sense of a world where nothing seems to happen the way it should. When 10-year-old Andy Parker reluctantly goes to Grandma's house for the summer, all he can think about is how much he misses his dad in heaven and his best friend Anthony, who moved away. What will he do in this sleepy small town for the entire summer? But it turns out even cow dung can be interesting and something wonderful can come from rotten apples.

Of *Perch, Mrs. Sackets, and Crow's Nest*, author Karen Pavlicin says, "One day I was thinking about my childhood and remembered our summertime ritual of cutting up those tiny, hard apples on Grandma's porch. For the first time I realized that it wasn't about the apples. Grandma was a smart woman—she kept her family all coming back to her porch every summer. At the same time, my son and I were beginning a new phase of our lives and I thought he could use a story about those apples. That's when I created Andy and his summer of courage."

An award-winning author, Karen grew up in rural upstate New York, where the story takes place, and now lives in Minnesota with her son, Alexander. They have an apple tree in their backyard and a cow dung clock in their kitchen.

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