



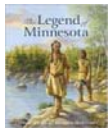
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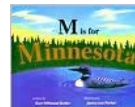
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September: Minnesota Stories



August 30 – September 6, 2009
The Legend of Minnesota
by Kathy-jo Wargin

While in the woods Morning Fawn, an Ojibwe girl, finds a sick Dakotah brave. Even though their nations are enemies she stops to help him. From him she learns of the healing properties of the balsam poplar that make him well. When sickness strikes her village will it heal again?



September 20 – 27
***M is for Minnesota* by Dori Hillestad Butler**

A is for Agriculture; F is for Fort Snelling; V is for Voyageurs... With each letter we learn more interesting things about the history, geography, natural resources, and important sights of Minnesota. Maybe you'll need a field trip after reading this to go see some of these amazing places.



September 6 – 13
Fearless John: The Legend of John Beargrease
by Kelly Emerling Rauzi

John Beargrease lived with his family near the shores of Lake Superior in a time when travel was tough and mail delivery was tougher. But John became legendary delivering mail by foot, boat and dogsled. Today his route is commemorated in the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon.



September 27 – October 4
On the Banks of Plum Creek (excerpt)
by Laura Ingalls Wilder

When Laura and her family first move to Walnut Grove, Minnesota they live in a home dugout of the side of a hill near Plum Creek. But soon Pa builds them a new house made of lumber. Everything is fine until the grasshoppers come in numbers so large they fill the sky and eat everything in their path. And then comes the blizzards!



September 13 – 20
***Storm Codes* by Tracy Nelson Maurer**

Seven-year-old Katy's father is the captain of the 600 foot long cargo ship the *Edward B. Greene*. Mostly his voyages are calm, but it is the end of December and a fierce ice storm is ripping through northern Minnesota. His ship is late; Katy and her mom wait anxiously. Will he return to the Duluth harbor safely?

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