



"Something Stinks!" Named an Outstanding Science Trade Book for 2014

Book for students in Grades 4-8 receives top honors from NSTA-CBC.

BOSTON, MA, November 07, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- The NSTA-CBC Outstanding Science Committee has selected [Something Stinks!](#) by Gail Hedrick and published by Tumblehome Learning for its list of 2014 Outstanding Science Trade Books for K-12. The list is a cooperative project of the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) and the Children's Book Council (CBC).

[Something Stinks!](#) is an exciting tale of pollution and detection. Dead fish are washing ashore on the Higdon River, and seventh grader Emily Sanders wants to find out why. Mocked by fellow students and abandoned by her best friend, Emily investigates farms, a golf course, and local factories. Gradually she persuades friends to help her test the waters. Their investigations lead them into trouble with the law and confrontation with the town's most powerful citizen. Can a handful of determined seventh graders find out the true source of the stink in the Higdon River?

"Environmental stewardship is a common topic of concern to students in grades 4-8," said Pendred Noyce of Tumblehome Learning, the book's publisher. "Emily is a reluctant science student until her investigation introduces her to the science practices of persistence, skepticism, experimentation and discourse."

Gail Hedrick is a former physical education teacher who writes on fitness and etiquette as well as middle grade mysteries. She grew upon a lake in Michigan, spent many years on rivers in Virginia and North Carolina, and now lives in Florida. [Something Stinks!](#) is her first science book. "I grew up experiencing pristine freshwater lakes and rivers. I hope that would be the same for our children. Then, fish began to die in the rivers, and I couldn't understand why people weren't more concerned. I bet kids would be, and that's where 'Stinks' began."

[Something Stinks!](#) may be purchased on Amazon or from [Tumblehome Learning, Inc.](#)
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Tumblehome Learning is a Massachusetts transmedia company that helps kids imagine themselves as young scientists or engineers and encourages them to experience science through adventure and discovery. Tumblehome Learning books & games have received NSTA-CBC and Mom's Choice Awards, and Creative Child Magazine honors. More information at: <http://www.tumblehomelearning.com>.

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