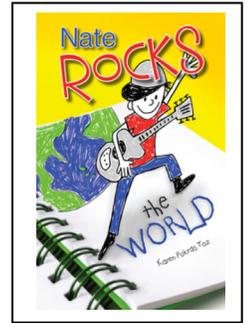


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**No Wimpy Kids Here! Nate Rocks the Boat at Barnes & Noble, Jenkintown on May 26**

Move over Greg from *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. There's a new cool kid's book series that's getting some great buzz ... and coming to the Jenkintown, PA, Barnes & Noble on May 26 – **Nate Rocks**.

The first title in this 3-book series by Montgomery County, PA-based author Karen Pokras Toz, ***Nate Rocks the World***, is perfect for sometimes reluctant readers -- the elementary school set (8 to 11 year olds) beginning to enjoy reading chapter books.

Our "hero" is 10-year-old Nathan Rockledge – aka "Nate Rocks," who loves sports and drawing cartoons. The book tells vivid stories of the active 4<sup>th</sup> grader's adventures – some real and some imagined -- with his best friend Tommy, his older sister, Abby, who's a pain, a dad stuck in the past, and a mom whose best "home-cooked" meal is takeout food.

***Nate Rocks the Boat*** (ISBN 9780984860814, \$7.99 paperback, also available for digital readers) is about Nate's adventures at summer camp, and comes out May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Toz will be reading sections from the Nate Rocks series and signing books on Saturday, May 26, from Noon-3pm at the Jenkintown location (835 Old York Road, 215-886-5366). Both books will be available for signing/sale.

***Nate Rocks the World*** won two runner-up awards in February 2012 -- for best cover and best 1st chapter in the 2012 UpAuthors.com Writer's Contest. It's also garnered many rave reviews, including these recent 5-star ratings for Readers Favorite:

*"Nate Rocks The World brings us a tale that will please girls, boys and adults ... This book is right up there with 'Middle School: Worst Years of My Life' and 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid.' I very much enjoyed both books, but think both authors better keep an eye on Ms. Toz; she is their competition. The characters are sure to delight all readers... I just ordered copies for my grandsons. Please Ms. Toz, more Nate!" -- Anne B.*

*"Pokras Toz truly writes a masterpiece with Nate Rocks. The cover is captivating and catches the interest of the reader immediately... This book is perfect for any grade school child, whether it's boys or girls, because they can relate to the frustrations of life at that age... Society today seems to push children to be competitive, to be in sports, to excel at everything, when in fact, children just want to be children. They want to play superheroes, daydream and be allowed to have an imagination. This book encourages the magic that's missing from our children's lives and inspires children to follow their dreams." -- Rita V*

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