



Children's Beach House Book

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Local Children Compose a Unique Holiday Story Inspired by Children's Beach House

November 08, 2010 ~ Lewes, Delaware: Cousins Caden, Cassie, and Jack Schell had no idea they were about to create a unique story when they spent an afternoon coloring, drawing, and cutting out figures from construction paper. Enamored of the sea and all its inhabitants, the three narrowed their focus to one imaginary marine animal, a giant red jellyfish with jingling tentacles. After much discussion about how and why a jellyfish could have jingle bells on his tentacles, the storyline for the delightful holiday tale, *Jingle the Giant Jellyfish Finds Christmas*, was created.

The book focuses on how Jingle's differences make him unique and exceptional, the very qualities that ultimately make him perfectly suited for a special mission from Santa Claus. "Jingle is special to us because he helps kids learn not to judge other people by the way they look," said Caden Schell, who attends third grade at Shields Elementary School in Lewes. The Schell children are growing up in the beach area and their family has been closely involved with the Children's Beach House in Lewes for years. Lori Schell and Kathleen Schell, the children's mothers, serve on the Board of Trustees for the agency, whose mission is to assist special-needs children become functioning members of their families and communities through year-round programs and summer camps at the beach. Their great-uncle, Roland Marshall, and great-aunt, Lillian Burris, both served on the board of the Children's Beach House for over 65 years collectively and two other aunts, Connie Miller and Linda Fischer, continue to hold leadership positions on the board as well.

With the help of some creative adults, the Schell children took their rough story outline, complete with construction paper animals, and worked to publish the book in time for the holiday season. The proceeds from the sale of the book will be donated directly to the Children's Beach House, an organization they hold close to their hearts. *Jingle the Giant Jellyfish Finds Christmas* may be purchased at Kids Cottage in Rehoboth, Browseabout Books in Rehoboth, Kids Ketch in Lewes, Children's Beach House in Lewes, or ordered online for \$10 a copy, plus shipping and handling, at www.cbhinc.org.

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