

FICTION:

ALONE: THE JOURNEY OF THE BOY SIMS

by Alan Garinger

While working on a road-building crew in Indiana in 1833, orphan Joshua Sims is sent by himself to fetch supplies in Detroit, and along the way, his encounters with Native Americans, runaway slaves, and the dangers of the unknown open his eyes to a reality he did not previously know existed. Includes author's note and glossary.

THE ARROW OVER THE DOOR

by Joseph Bruchac

In the year 1777, a group of Quakers and a party of Indians have a memorable meeting.

THE BEARS OF BLUE RIVER

by Charles Major

Describes the adventures of a young boy growing up in early nineteenth-century rural Indiana.

BIRCHBARK HOUSE

by Louise Erdrich

Omakayas, a seven-year-old Native American girl of the Ojibwa tribe, lives through the joys of summer and the perils of winter on an island in Lake Superior in 1847.

CROSSING THE PANTHER'S PATH

by Elizabeth Alder

Sixteen-year-old Billy Caldwell, son of a British soldier and a Mohawk woman, leaves school to join Tecumseh in his efforts to prevent the Americans from taking any more land from the Native Americans in the Northwest Territory. Set during the War of 1812.

CROOKED RIVER

by Shelley Pearsal

When twelve-year old Rebecca Carter's father brings a Native American accused of murder into their 1812 Ohio settlement town, Rebecca, witnessing the town's reaction to the Indian, struggles with the idea that an innocent man may be convicted and sentenced to death

HOW I BECAME A GHOST: A CHOCTAW TRAIL OF TEARS

by Tim Tingle

A Choctaw boy tells the story of his tribe's removal from the only land its people had ever known, and how their journey to Oklahoma led him to become a ghost—one with the ability to help those he left behind.

My Brother Abe: Sally Lincoln's Story by Harry Mazer
Based on the few known facts of the Lincoln family's early life, starting with the Lincolns' move from Kentucky to Indiana in 1816. Provides an absorbing portrayal of the life of settlers in early 19th century Indiana.

NONFICTION:

BONES ON THE GROUND

by Elizabeth O'Malley

Presents biographical sketches and first-person accounts of Native Americans, Indian traders, Colonial and American leaders of the Old Northwest Territory, which included what is now Indiana.

INDIAN VILLAGE: PAPAKEECHIE, WAWASEE, KEELSONAU

by Karl Keiper

This is the story of Indian Village, a small town in Indiana. In the mid 1800's, Indian Village was the main village for the Papakeechee Reservation. The book paints a picture of the Miami people; their lives, beliefs and plight.

LITTLE TURTLE: THE STORY OF AN AMERICAN INDIAN

by Maggi Cunningham

A biography of the respected Miami chief that includes archival photos, maps and illustrations.

LOG CABIN IN THE WOODS: A TRUE STORY ABOUT A PIONEER BOY

by Joanne Landers Henry

Recounts eleven-year-old Oliver Johnson's experiences living in the densely forested wilderness of nineteenth-century central Indiana.

MIAMI INDIAN LIFE

by Clifford Richards

Published by the Allen County-Fort Wayne Historical Society, includes illustrations, maps, and information about the Miami people of this area.

MR. MADISON'S WAR: CAUSES AND EFFECTS OF THE WAR OF 1812

by Cassandra Radomski

Provides background information on the War of 1812, during which the story of Salt is set.

SPRING PLANTING

by Rita Kohn

Aimed at younger children, includes information about Miami traditions, food, clothing, games, and storytelling.

