

We recommend reading the Rebecca Caudill book nominees. Below are the 2009 nominees for the Rebecca Caudill Award. The Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award was developed to encourage children and young adults to read for personal satisfaction. It is an Illinois award for outstanding literature for young people and is sponsored by the **Illinois Reading Council**, the **Illinois School Library Media Association**, and the **Illinois Association of Teachers of English**.

- ***Alabama Moon*** by Watt Key
- ***Black Duck*** by Janet Taylor Lisle
- ***Black Storm Comin'*** by Diane Lee Wilson
- ***Blood on the River: James Town 1607*** by Elisa Carbone
- ***Cornelia and the Audacious Escapades of the Somerset Sisters*** by Lesley M.M. Blume
- ***A Drowned Maiden's Hair: A Melodrama*** by Laura Amy Schlitz
- ***Gossamer*** by Lois Lowry
- ***The Green Glass Sea*** by Ellen Klages
- ***Hattie Big Sky*** by Kirby Larson
- ***Heat*** by Mike Lupica
- ***The Invention of Hugo Cabret*** by Brian Selznick
- ***Letters From Wolfie*** by Patti Sherlock
- ***Life as We Knew It*** by Susan Beth Pfeffer
- ***The Lightning Thief*** by Rick Riordan
- ***Oh, Rats!: The Story of Rats and People*** by Albert Marrin
- ***Penny from Heaven*** by Jennifer L. Holm
- ***Project Mulberry*** by Linda Sue Park
- ***Rules*** by Cynthia Lord
- ***shug*** by Jenny Han
- ***Wolf Brother*** by Michelle Paver