

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR INFORMATION

S. Peter Lewis—Author, Photographer, Designer

S. Peter Lewis is a husband and father. He is also a writer, photographer, and book designer, who has spent much of the last two decades writing about and taking pictures of the things he loves. His work has appeared regularly in national magazines, as well as books and newspapers. He has won several state and regional journalism awards including being named Photographer of the Year (twice) and runner-up Writer of the Year by the New Hampshire Press Association. In 1986, he had a full-page photo in the huge book project *A Day in the Life of America*. In 2005, he received an American Design Award for his book *Treehouse Chronicles*. He has been a nonprofit executive, a professional mountain guide on and off for almost 20 years, and once worked pitchforking pond weeds, catfish, and snakes onto a barge. He has written, co-written, photographed, or designed eight sensible books on rock and ice climbing. *Treehouse Chronicles* is his first work of whimsy. A co-owner of TMC Books, he lives with his wife, Karen, son Jeremiah, and daughter Amanda on an old farm in Maine. In his spare time, he is a dry fly fisherman who keeps secrets.

T.B.R. Walsh—Illustrator

T.B.R. Walsh, illustrator, educator, sailor, and artisan-engineer, is happiest when in the midst of a creative project—which is basically all the time. When he is not building, painting, writing, or drawing, he can be found making unusual toys for young relatives and friends or plying the coast of Maine on his classic wooden sailboat. He is a co-owner of TMC Books, and *Treehouse Chronicles* is the third book he has illustrated. When not at his easel or on his boat, he lives in a cottage in the woods with a wolf.

Frank Hubbell—the big picture guy at TMC Books

Frank is a professional dreamer. While throwing himself into the creation of a successful wilderness medicine school with his wife, he also squeezed in time for medical school and went on to cofound a thriving medical practice. He is capable of speaking 400 words a minute with gusts up to 550.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PUBLISHER: TMC BOOKS, LLC

TMC BOOKS, LLC is just three guys working in a converted barn in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. We have a bunch of computers, an intermittent phone connection, a futon couch upstairs (for research), a great view, and cats. In fact, there are just too many cats. We have a bent toward all things eclectic and our publishing projects have ranged from a children's book about sailing the Maine coast, to a textbook about wilderness medicine, to guidebooks for ice and rock climbers.

Unlike big publishing companies, TMC Books is really just the three of us. Between us, we do all the research, writing, photography, illustrating, graphic design, production, accounting, marketing, and shipping. Our only overhead is, well, a ceiling fan. Without staff, or committees, or independent contractors, or any of the other trappings of a conventional business, we are free to follow our dream to make wonderful books about things we love. With classical music playing softly in the background and light pouring in the windows, our imaginations are free to wander—the only tension comes when we wrestle for control of our favorite dictionary.