



## **Carol Franks-Randall publishes third children's picture book**

ESWA member Carol Franks-Randall of Centreville has published her third children's picture book, "Talking Buddies." The story follows a young boy who immigrates to the United States and must adjust to his new surroundings, a new language and a new school.

He meets two of his neighbors who are learning Spanish as a second language. A warm friendship develops based on compassion and empathy.

“I wrote this book because I felt it was important to shine a spotlight on the benefits associated with a multilingual society that helps not only the new arrival.” said Franks-Randall, “but English speakers in our country who are trying to master a second language.”

Franks-Randall's previous books include "Jamal and Me," a semi-autobiographical book about a boy who struggles with relocating from the city to the suburbs (published in 2017) and "Playground Heroes," which highlights two kind and courageous girls who take on bullies on the playground (published in 2018).

All three books are appropriate for ages 4-9.

A retired educator from New York, Dr. Franks-Randall has worked as a teacher, principal, superintendent and college instructor. She and her husband Robert relocated to Maryland's Eastern Shore in 2009.

Her books may be purchased on Amazon.com, or visit <https://carolfranksrandall.com>.