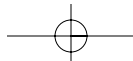
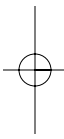
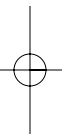
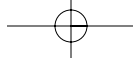
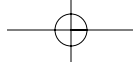


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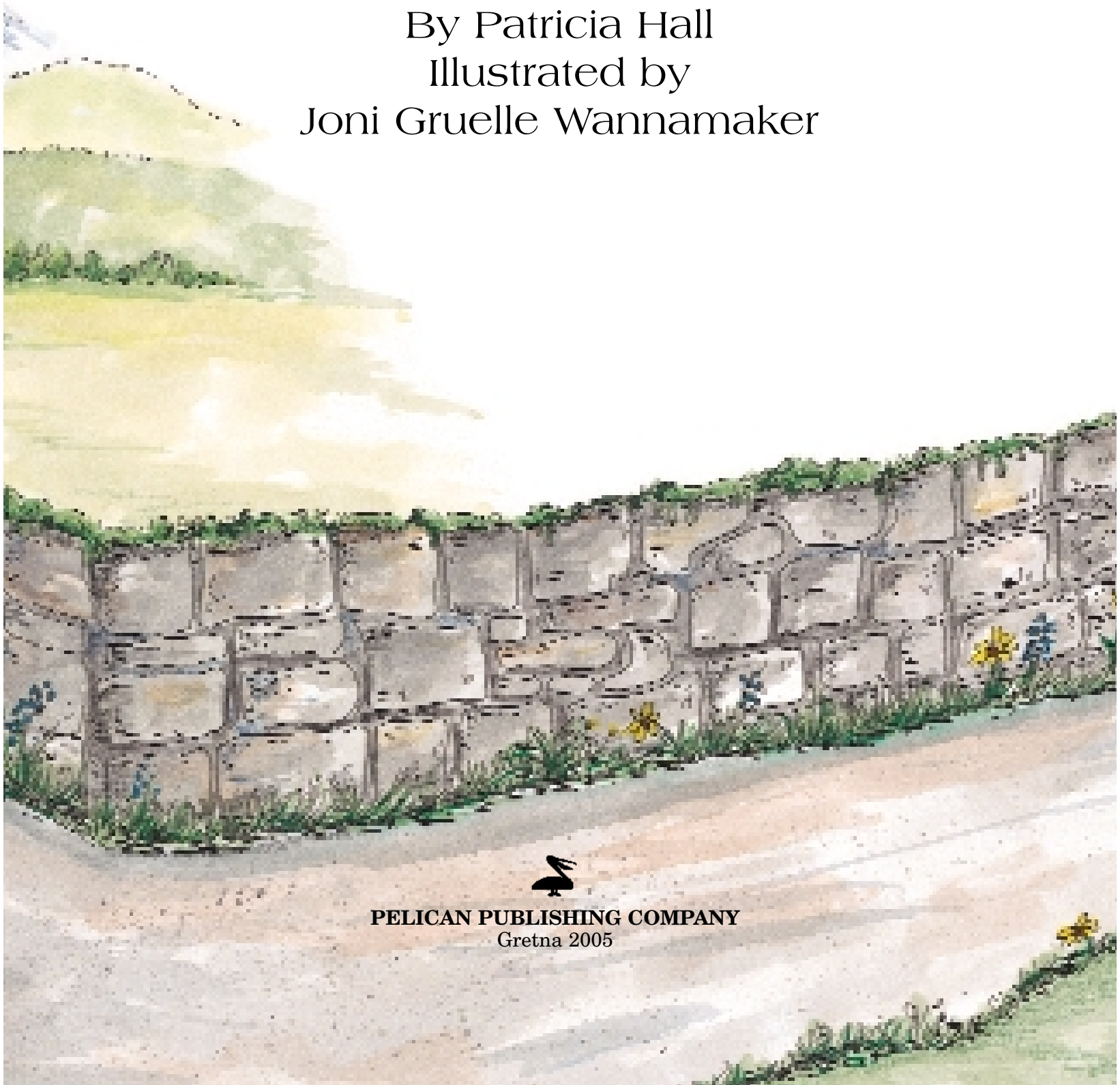




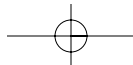


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For Debbie and Mike—my sister and brother. This one's for you.
—P.H.

*In loving memory of my dad, Worth, and my Uncle Dick,
who were the inspiration for Raggedy Andy.*
—Joni Gruelle Wannamaker

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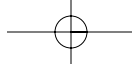
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