

# KWI: KANSAS WRITER'S INK

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## February Meeting

By: Morgan Chilson

Tap into 30 years of publishing expertise at KWI's Feb. 25 program when Julie Trelstad joins us online to offer publishing tips and answer our questions about marketing, publishing trends and other topics of interest. Julie was in Topeka (she's a Topeka West High School graduate) in early January and gave a talk at the library about publishing. Morgan Chilson interviewed her for a story about her career (see the story here <http://cjonline.com/news/business/2017-01-01/new-york-city-publishing-expert-who-s-topeka-west-graduate-offer-tips>) and was impressed with her extensive knowledge about marketing for published and self-published authors. Julie generously agreed to talk with our group, so bring your questions. If you can't be at the meeting, feel free to send in your questions to [morgan@exactlywrite.net](mailto:morgan@exactlywrite.net).

Julie had been director of digital rights at Writers House, a literary agency, but she recently went out on her own. She is knowledgeable about effective advertising and multiple topics that can help writers no matter where they are in their careers.

We'll connect to Julie at 1 p.m. We're also trying to record the interview and, if we're successful, we'll send a link to anyone interested.

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## **March Online Workshops**

**By Angela Johnson**

### **Pissing Off Editors, or How Not to Get Published**

Date: March 1–17, 2017

Presenter: Linnea Sinclair. FMI, <http://contemporaryromance.org/workshops/>.

### **Effective Punctuation in Popular Fiction**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Sarah Winn. FMI, <http://www.heartofcarolina.org/calendar>.

### **Facebook—It's Not Just for Cat Videos**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Casey Clipper. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR3>.

### **Leaping Over Stumbling Blocks**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Sherry Lewis, FMI, <http://www.utahrwa.com/URWAWorkshopRegistration.htm>.

### **Scrivener Scene by Scene**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Ines Johnson. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR1>.

### **Sex, Drugs and Booze, What Writers Get Wrong**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Sacha Illyvich. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR5>.

### **What's a Tweet and Why Should I Care? Diving Deep Into Social Marketing**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Jessie Clever. FMI, <http://www.marylandromancewriters.com/whats-a-tweet-and-why-should-i-care-diving-deep-into-social-marketing/>.

### **Writing the Continuing Series or Trilogy**

Date: March 1–31, 2017

Presenter: Susan Palmquist. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR2>.

### **Contraception, Pregnancy and Childbirth in History**

Date: March 6–18, 2017

Presenter: Georgie Lee. FMI, <http://lowcountryrwa.com/workshops/all-workshops/>.

### **Writing from the Male POV**

Date: March 6–18, 2017

Presenter: Sascha Illyvich. FMI, <http://lowcountryrwa.com/workshops/2017-online-courses/#MAR>.

### **Story Clinic**

Date: March 6–25, 2017

Presenter: PJ Andrew. FMI, <http://lowcountryrwa.com/workshops/2017-online-courses/#MAR>.

## **March Online Workshops (Continued)**

**By Angela Johnson**

### **The Road to Publication: Queries, Synopses and More!**

Date: March 6–30, 2017

Presenter: Chanel Cleeton. FMI, <http://contemporaryromance.org/workshops/>.

### **Characterization and Plotting: Weaving Them Together to Make Your Story Come Alive**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Tambra Nicole Kendall. FMI, <http://lvrwa.org/online-classes/>.

### **Crafting the Short Story and Novella**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Susan Palmquist. FMI, <http://lowcountryrwa.com/workshops/2017-online-courses/#MAR>.

### **Hardwired for Hot**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Merien Grey. FMI, <http://contemporaryromance.org/workshops/>.

### **Pacing Pride vs Pace Robbers**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Kat Duncan. FMI, <http://fthrw.com/online-workshops>.

### **Serializing: Using the Structure of Episodic Television**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Ines Johnson. FMI, <http://www.yosemiteromancewriters.com/#!/workshops/cctds>.

### **Want to Finish Your Manuscript Faster? Develop the Habit of Writing Every Day and See Your Word Count Soar**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: MM Pollard. FMI, <http://fthrw.com/online-workshops>.

### **The W-Plot**

Date: March 6–31, 2017

Presenter: Karen Doctor. FMI, <http://starrwa.org/on-line-workshops/>.

### **Intensifying Emotion**

Dates: March 7–March 30, 2017

Presenter: Laurie Sanders. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR4>.

### **Get Those Butterflies Out of my Stomach: How to Avoid Cliches and Overwriting**

Dates: March 8–April 5, 2017

Presenter: Jo Vanderhooft. FMI, <http://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus/#MAR12>.

### **Identifying and Breaking Bad Writing Habits**

Date: March 13–24, 2017

Presenter: Jeffe Kennedy. FMI, [www.PassionateInk.org/Workshops](http://www.PassionateInk.org/Workshops).

### **Marketing 201: Book Tours**

Date: March 20–31, 2017

Presenter: Ines Johnson. FMI, <http://www.yosemiteromancewriters.com/#!/workshops/cctds>.

### **Social Media for Writers and Others**

Date: March 13–24, 2017

Presenter: Jamie K. Schmidt. FMI, <http://rwasd.com/classes>.

## Kudos

None Submitted

## KWI RETREAT 2017

This year's retreat is fast approaching. We've booked **April 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> at the Basswood Lodge**. A **\$50.00 deposit** is required to secure your spot for the weekend.

This year we've established a '**Pick Your Bed**' for the first 10 members who get their deposits to Shayne. When she receives your check, she'll contact you to find out where in the Lodge you wish to sleep—she'll then reserve that spot for you.

**An update on beds: bedroom 3 and 1 are taken. There is still room in the basement bedroom, and there is 1 bunk left in bedroom 2.**

Mail your deposits to:

Shayne Sawyer

2601 SW Western Ave

Topeka, KS 66611

## *Further Reading*

25 Things To Know About Writing The First Chapter Of Your Novel (warning: explicit language used)

<http://terribleminds.com/ramble/2012/05/29/25-things-to-know-about-writing-the-first-chapter/>

Manuscript Rejection Feedback: 3 Critiques to Heed (and 2 to Ignore)

<http://www.writersdigest.com/online-editor/manuscript-rejection-feedback-3-critiques-heed-2-ignore>

When Do I Spell Out Numbers?

<http://www.writersdigest.com/online-editor/when-do-i-spell-out-numbers>

10 Creative Exercises That Will Help You Improve Your Writing

<http://www.writersdigest.com/online-editor/10-creative-exercises-will-help-improve-writing>

## KWI Blog

Are you interested in writing a blog for KWI? Contact Tish 'Bear' Glasson by e-mail: [bearwmnkwi@gmail.com](mailto:bearwmnkwi@gmail.com).

## KWI Meetings

### Next Meeting:

When: February 25th, 2017

Where: Topeka Shawnee County Public Library (Anton Room)

Topic: Publishing & Marketing Tips

### Future Meeting:

When: March 25th, 2017

Where: Topeka Shawnee County Library

Room: Anton Room (upper level)

Topic: TBA

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All meetings begin as follows:

Time: 9:30am –3:30pm

Writing/Critique/Tape

9:30am-10:00am/ 10:00am –11:30

## Financials

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$3,617.53</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$3,587.53</b>

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