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April 2020 Newsletter



Ponderings and Smackerals:

Hello Fellow Writers,

This month I have decided that writing my little president's snippet was much less painful (and costly) than another ER visit, so here I am. Seriously, 0/10 I do not recommend ER visits as an excuse to get out of writing.

How are you all faring in the weirdness of today's world? I hope everyone is staying safe, sane, and healthy. I miss seeing you lot at meetings, and I can only hope that soon we will be able to meet up in person again.

How is the writing going these days? Some of us have suddenly found ourselves with a lot of free time and have maybe thought we could use all this extra time to concentrate on our writing. There is a meme circulating social media about Shakespeare writing "King Lear" while quarantined during the black plague. Several of these end with "but no pressure," and are followed by the 'time wasting' things the poster is doing instead. While it is funny, it is also true. NO PRESSURE! If you find that you sit down to write and the words are flowing, and you are thankful for this extra time, I say good on ya and full steam ahead. If you find that you are using all your energy to simply survive and you are binge watching things on Netflix that is okay too. You do you. Your writing will still be there when quarantine is over. When it is, we can get back to gently reminding each other that our characters miss us and do not know what to do without us. Okay, I meant nagging, we can all get back to nagging each other.

Don't forget to wash your hands,
Bear

KWI Meetings

Next Meeting

When: May 23, 2020

Where: TSCPL Anton
Room

Topic: TBA

Future Meeting

When: June 27, 2020

Where: TSCPL Anton
Room

Topic:

Meeting Format

Open Writing: 9:30am -
10:00am

Critiquing: 10:00am -
11:30am

Board Meeting: 11:30am -
12:00pm

Member Meeting:
12:30pm - 1:00 pm

Program: 1:00 pm -
2:30pm

April Meeting: Annual Retreat

Although the shelter at home order has been extended into May, the annual retreat will take place for those who are willing and able to attend. The house at Lake Wabaunsee has already been booked and anyone who wants to spend the weekend or even just Saturday is welcome.

The dates are April 24th – 26th (Friday evening through Sunday morning)

For those who chose to stay home, we hope to see you next month. In the meantime, we hope everyone stays safe and healthy.

Financials

March 2020

Beginning Cash Balance:

\$4,061.46

Income: \$0.00

Expenses: \$0.00

Ending Cash Balance: \$4,061.46

Kudos

We are living in strange times where it seems like good news is hard to come by. Luckily, some of our KWI members are able to share some bits of good news with the rest of us.

First off, the awesome Reed Holwegner was asked to return to South Dakota and work as director for the Legislative Research Council. You can read about it here: www.keloland.com/news/capitol-news-bureau/holwegner-offered-job-as-sdlrc-director/

Congratulations Reed!

In further good news, our new member Alisha Davis has been invited to be a Fellow in the 2020-2021 Invitational Leadership Institute for the Flint Hills Writing Project, which is the Kansas chapter of the National Writing Project. The National Writing Project is a grass-roots program created by teachers to help teachers become better at fostering writing skills within their students. It also focuses on developing the writing skills of the teacher as well.

And if that weren't enough, her short story "Things Forgotten" recently won first place in The Kansas Voices Writing Contest. Rock on, Alisha!

Officer Nominations 2020-2021

It's time to nominate officers for next year's board. If you would like to serve feel free to nominate yourself.

Currently nominated:

President - Tish Glasson

Vice President - Jason Glasson

Treasurer - Shayne Huxtable

Secretary - Leslie Galbraith

Membership - Connie Beckett

Newsletter - Brittany Willes

