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June 2020 Newsletter



Ponderings and Smackerals:

Happy Summer Everyone!

On the one hand it is hard to believe it's almost July already. On the other, 2020 feels like it has lasted about a decade. Either way, time – and KWI – marches on.

This month we will resume in-person meetings, despite the library remaining closed. Instead, we will meet at The Blind Tiger Restaurant at 11:00 am on June 27th. We have reserved a banquet room for meeting space and will do everything we can to observe best social distancing practices in order to stay safe while gathering.

For those who can't make it to the in-person meeting or don't feel comfortable gathering in public just yet (totally understandable!), you can still attend virtually. We are looking into using either Facebook Live or Zoom for those who can't attend. More details on that will be forthcoming.

One way or another, we look forward to getting back to regular meetings, discussing all things writing, and catching up.

Hope to see you next week!

KWI Meetings

Next Meeting

When: TBA

Where: TBA

Topic: TBA

Future Meeting

When: TBA

Where: TBA

Topic: TBA

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

June Meeting: Dialogue

“Cut to the chase. Don’t use dialogue that doesn’t move the story forward and reveal character.”

Do you struggle with stilted, awkward dialogue? Do you wish your character’s speech flowed more naturally instead of spouting off with all the subtlety of a rooster with an identity crisis? Then you won’t want to miss this month’s program which is all about dialogue.

The amazing Romie will lead this month’s program, going over the ins and outs of effective dialogue and how to create it in your own stories. It’s sure to be a great presentation you won’t want to miss. If you can’t make it to the in-person meeting be sure to tune in via Zoom or Facebook Live (whichever we end up using).

Hope to connect with you all soon!

Financials

May 2020

Beginning Cash Balance:
\$3973.94

Income: \$10.00

Expenses: \$00.00

Ending Cash Balance: \$3983.94

Writing Resources: Revision

I have a confession: I dread revision.

When I'm in the midst of drafting a story, I get a thrill from completing my modest daily word counts and surprising myself with my own genius. In fact, story creation is one of the only things in my life that is a perfect blend of work and play, of productivity and leisure. It's such an ecstatic feeling for me that I regularly have quasi-lucid dreams in which I break away from the scene I'm dreaming—being chased by middle-school-aged zombies under some bleachers by a baseball diamond, for instance—and think, within the dream, “this would be a great story; I have to remember this!” I watch as the dream proceeds—plot twist: I am a zombie!—but then I wake and realize it's not actually as amazing a plot twist as I thought it was.

Revision is like waking up.

And it sucks.

Read the rest of this article at

<https://blog.stormwritingschool.com/revision-for-haters/>

Kudos

Congrats to Richard Forque who recently submitted two short stories for publication and received his very first rejection letter! In his own words, "Since I've officially been rejected in my mind I can now consider myself a writer."

