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March 2021 Newsletter



Ponderings and Smackerals:

Hello Friends,

Can you feel it? Spring is right around the corner. While I am one who doesn't really mind winter, I must confess that I do enjoy spring. You know, those two or three days we get between winter and the sweltering heat of summer. Cue visions of bonfires and keggers, old friends, and loud music – preferably from the 70s and 80s. Yes, I know I'm old. But this is my idea of heaven. Which season is your favorite? Any why?

This month we are meeting at Blind Tiger again. Last month's meeting was fun, as well as productive. We'll be doing critiques again, as well as helping brainstorm for anybody who is stuck and might need a bit of help.

Hopefully, there is light at the end of this tunnel, and soon we can meet at the library again. Until then, I will see you if I see you Saturday, and if not, then fingers crossed for sooner rather than later.

As always, I wish you words – lots and lots of words

Bear

KWI Meetings

Future Meetings

When: March 27, 2021

Where: TBA

Topic: TBA

Future Meeting

When: April 23-25,
2021

Where: TBA

Topic: Writing Retreat

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

March Program



Once again this month's meeting will take place at The Blind Tiger. The meeting will start at 11:00 a.m.

Given that times continue to be strange and we still don't know when we might be able to regular meetings again, we have decided to forego normal programs. Instead, each meeting time will be devoted to reading and critique each other's work.

A silver lining to all the madness being that, hopefully, members can get more in-depth feedback on their pages than normal.

For the who are not able to make it to the meeting, here are a few resources to help you on your writing journey:

On becoming a better writer

https://blog.reedsy.com/how-to-become-a-better-writer/?utm_source=mailparrot&utm_campaign=blog_writing_advice

For female writing entrepreneurs

<https://ew.com/books/fifty-shades-el-james-launching-own-imprint/>

Financials

March 2021

Beginning Cash Balance:
\$3,699.49

Income: \$00.00

Expenses: \$00.00

Ending Cash Balance: \$3,699.49

Spring Retreat

Hi everyone.

Just a reminder that April is our annual KWI Retreat is next month. We have booked the lake house at Wabaunsee Lake for April 23rd, 24th and 25th.

We have 8 members who've said they'll be attending. We still have plenty of room in the house for anyone who would like to join us, either for the entire weekend or just a day.

Please email Shayne at shaynehuxtable@gmail.com if you like to reserve a spot.

Thanks,
Shayne

Board Member Elections

Elections are coming up and Billie-Renee needs to put together the slate of officer candidates. If you are interested in running for an office, please email Billie-Renee by Thursday, March 25 at knightdrk2@yahoo.com.

Descriptions of the offices and duties can be found in the By-Laws on the KWI Website. Positions to be filled are:

President

Vice-President

Treasurer

Secretary

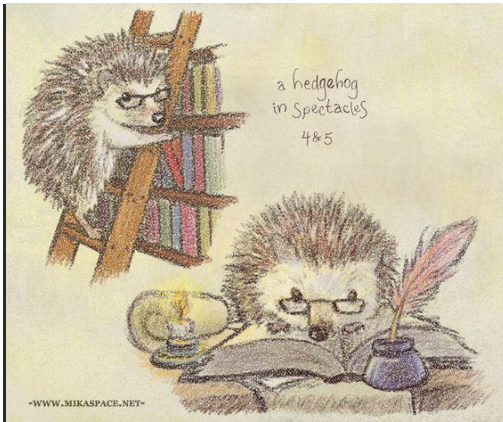
Membership Chair

Newsletter Chair

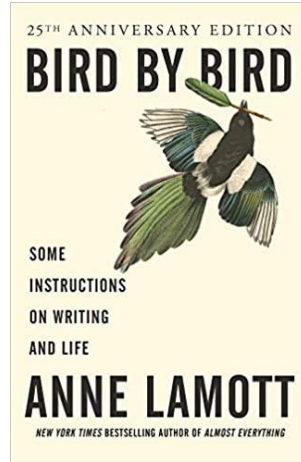
Kudos

Next Chapter publications has released Connie Beckett's latest book, "Lost Lamb, a Deidra Ann Adventure. It is a pre-teen fantasy and is published under the pen name Teter Keyes. The book is available on Amazon and Kindle.

Congrats to Connie!



From the Slush Pile



For a quarter century, more than a million readers—scribes and scribblers of all ages and abilities—have been inspired by Anne Lamott’s hilarious, big-hearted, homespun advice. Advice that begins with the simple words of wisdom passed down from Anne’s father—also a writer—in the iconic passage that gives the book its title:

“Thirty years ago my older brother, who was ten years old at the time, was trying to get a report on birds written that he’d had three months to write. It was due the next day. We were out at our family cabin in Bolinas, and he was at the kitchen table close to tears, surrounded by binder paper and pencils and unopened books on birds, immobilized by the hugeness of the task ahead. Then my father sat down beside him, put his arm around my brother’s shoulder, and said, ‘Bird by bird, buddy. Just take it bird by bird.’”

Have an awesome read you want to recommend to our writing community? Send the info to 221bwilles@gmail.com.

