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April 2022 Newsletter



Ponderings and Smackerals:

Greetings writer friends,

I hope no one is getting whiplash from the ever-changing Kansas weather. It's been all over the place the last week or so. At this month's meeting we're going to do some exercises to get our writing brains charged up. Writers writing? It's a foreign concept I know, but I think we're up to the challis. We're meeting at Blue Moose again this month, and because we all know my laptop either hates me or is possessed (or both) we should have back up if we need it.

I work night shift the night before, so I'll be the zombie at the end of the table.

How to see you there!

As always, I wish you words,

Bear.

KWI Meetings

Future Meetings

When: April 23, 2020

Where: Blue Moose
Restaurant

Topic: TBA

Future Meetings

When: May 28, 2022

Where:
Topeka/Shawnee County
Library

Topic: Poetry Writing

Meeting Format

Program: 10:00am

Board Meeting: 11:00

Critique: 12:00pm

April Meeting/Program

The March meeting will be held April 23 at the Blue Moose, 3030 SW Wanamaker Road, Topeka. We will begin with a 10 a.m. program. This month we will be doing fun writing exercises.



From the Slush Pile

Calling all Poetry Enthusiasts

We are happy to announce that poetess Annette Billings will be the guest speaker at the May 28 KWI meeting.

A \$100 donation has been made to the Catholic Charities in memory of member Caroline Kaberline. She passed away in December 2020.

May Online Writing Workshops

Thank you to Angela Johnson for providing the following April training opportunities.

Writing the Second Acts Romance

Date: May 1, 2022, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM CST

Presenter: Peggy Jaeger, FMI,

Link: [Second Acts Romance](#)

Beginnings, Left Turns

Date: May 1-31, 2022

Presenter: Kathryn Jane, FMI,

Link: [Beginnings, Left Turn](#)

Financials

March 2022

Beginning Cash Balance:
\$3,600.13
Income: \$196.00
Expenses: \$0.00
Ending Cash Balance
\$3,796.13

Writing BDSM (The proper way)

Date: May 1-31, 2022 via Online Forum

Presenter: Cassandra Carr, FMI,

Link: <https://passionateink.org/workshops/>

Sex, Drugs, and Booze – What Writer’s Get Wrong

Date: May 2, 2022

Presenter: Sascha Illyvich

Link: <https://ffprwa.com/writers-golden-rule/>

From Screen to Page and Screen

Date: May 2-13, 2022

Presenter: Meredith Bonds FMI

Link: [Screen to Page & Screen](#)

What’s Your Plan? Creating a Business Plan for your Career

Date: May 2-13, 2022

Presenter: Jacki Renée, FMI

Link: <http://www.rwakissofdeath.org/workshops/>

The Age of the Sail Part II

Dates: May 2–27, 2022

Presented by: Cindy Vallar, FMI

Link: <https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY>

Behind the Scenes: The Research Before the Book

Date: May 2-27, 2022

Presented by Jacqui Jacoby, FMI

Link: <https://rwaonlinechapter.org/workshops-3/>

Make You Characters from Flat to Fabulous – Creating Characters Your Readers will Love

Dates: May 2–27, 2022

Presenter: Cynthia Owens, FMI

Link: <https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY>

Mindset, Motivation and Well-being A to Z for Writers

Date: May 2-27, 2022

Presenter: Joy Held, FMI

<https://romanticwomensfictionwriters.wordpress.com/online-courses/>

Overwriting Oh Nos!!

Date: May 2–27, 2022

Presenter: Elf Ahearn, FMI

<https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY>

Using Emotion to make Villains/Antagonists Memorable

Date: May 2–27, 2022

Presented by: Mary Marvella, FMI

https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY

The Writer's Golden Rule: Show Don't Tell

Date: May 2-27, 2022

Presenter: Cynthia Owen, FMI

Link: https://ffprwa.com/writers-golden-rule/

Writing Conflict

Date: May 2 – 27, 2022

Presenter: Cassandra Carr, FMI

https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY

Writing the Romance Novella

Date: May 2-31, 2022

Presenter: Cathy Chant, FMI, https://fthrw.com/upcoming-workshops

Social Media 101

Date: May 14, 2022 12:00 PM

Presenter: Jenna Grinstead, FMI

Link: [Social Media 101](#)**Those Who Forget the Past: Using Backstory to Enhance Your Novel**

Date: May 14, 2022 (90-minute Virtual Class 7:00am Pacific, 9:00am Central, 10:00am Eastern)

Presenter: Cynthia Owens, FMI

Link: http://www.rwakissofdeath.org/workshops/

Fashion of the Roaring 20s

Date: May 15, 2022 – 12:00-1:00 EST

Presenter: Val Fassnight, FMI

Link: https://www.oirwa.com/forum/campus2022/#MAY

April Featured Member**This month we are featuring author and KWI President Tish (Bear) Glasson****What or who prompted you to start writing? How old were you when the writing fairy hit you with her /his wand?**

I don't remember how old I was when I first started writing. I always loved reading, and telling my own stories seemed like a natural progression.

My first story that I have vivid memories of writing involved me and all my friends pairing up with the Bay City Rollers (me with Ian, natch) and going on tour with them.

Q: In what genre do you like to write? Tell us why that interests you?

I like to write erotica. The research is much more fun than it is for other genres

Q: Where are you in the writing process (writing, have a first draft, published, etc.)?

Still writing. The hill feels insurmountable at times

Q: Do you have a technique to get you into the groove of writing? (Music, candles, have finally reached the end of Facebook posts)


Music that fits the scene I'm writing. A nice cuppa (or coffee). I used to have a special cup and some trinkets I set out, but now I can be arsed with that. If the urge to write hits me I gotta take it before I talk myself out of it.

Q: Describe your perfect writing day.

Easy. With my writer friends at the lake house. Coffee, snacks, and tequila in the hot tub at the end of the day!

Q: I hear you may soon have a cute little distraction. Tell us about it.

In 10 days we are bringing home our handsome, grumpy faced French

Bulldog  His name is Valjean after the main character in Les Miserables. We can hardly contain ourselves!!

Q: What are you working on now?

My NaNoWriMo project from this year. It's a fan fiction set in the World of Warcraft universe

Kudos

If you have published a book, received a writing award, appeared on a Podcast, or other such reason to celebrate a success, please let Connie know at conniebeckett942@gmail.com. We would love to feature you in an upcoming newsletter.

