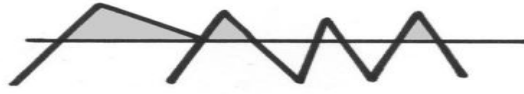


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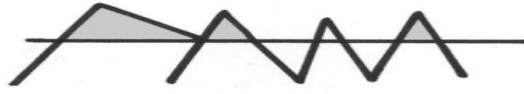


PAWA General Membership Meeting
JUNE 14, 2011 Muckleshoot Library

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. I am so pleased to announce that **Becky Hoage** has volunteered to fill the open position on the Board of Directors and become our Community Programs Officer. Thank you Becky.
2. Speaking of Community Programs: I want to thank all those PAWA members who helped in the Friends of the Buckley library elementary school poetry contest.
 - a. They sent a letter, note and check for \$100 for the 14 PAWA members who judged the contest.
 - b. Let Lois know if you are interested in judging in the future.
3. Congratulations to Elaine Estes for winning 3rd place in the Writers of the Purple Sage Contest in Lake County, Oregon. It is a very real honor.
4. It's just sixteen dollars for a full year to join us.
 - a. For new members joining now the membership will be pro-rated at \$8.00.
 - i. Membership includes eligibility to publish in our anthology and quarterly publications as well as receiving our quarterly publication.
 - b. See **Lois Walker, Finance Officer**, to join PAWA.
 - c. **Overdue Members** please pay your dues now to help us keep finances simple.
5. If you would like to join a critique group, **Suzanne Popp**, our Membership Vice President, will assist you in finding a critique group to fit your needs.
 - a. Critique groups are a fun way to improve your writing.
6. Our Editorial Officer, **Paul Jackson**, is responsible for all our Publications including our anthologies.
 - a. Our newest anthology Contrasts: Guilt or Innocence will be ready for September.
 - b. It is currently 108 pages.
7. Take a look at our website!
 - a. It may be located by typing in **PlateauAreaWriters.org**.
 - b. **Diana Fairbank** has assembled a first class site for PAWA!
 - c. You can find meeting times and locations as well as meeting minutes and links to other pertinent information on the site.
 - d.
8. We are trying to save paper:
 - a. PAWA meetings minutes are posted on website, but if you need a hard copy, contact **Gretchen Ojala**.
 - b. To see the financial status, ask Finance Officer, **Lois**.
9. Meeting collections:
 - a. We collect food for local **food banks** membership meetings; drop it off with us for re-distribution.
 - b. We collect **books** for members to purchase. Leftovers are donated to libraries.

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10. We meet monthly at the **Muckleshoot library** for a creative writers' work shop:
 - a. At the last meeting there were four members and four visitors
 - b. Please join us at 10:00 am the fourth Friday of each month, it's fun.
 - c. **Becky Hoage** leads this activity for PAWA.

11. The Board is continuing our relationship with South King County Cultural Coalition.

TODAY'S BUSINESS:

1. Change in by-laws:
 - a. **Making editor responsible for ALL publications instead of just the Quarterly**
 - b. **Motion made and passed unanimously.**
2. Discussion about **EBSCO Publishing Company's** offer to make our publications available to a world-wide audience and paying us royalties:
 - a. Unknown whether royalties would compromise our non-profit status.
 - i. If it does, we could donate the money, set up a scholarship, etc.
 - b. Questions were raised about whether the Quarterly was an appropriate publication for a world-wide audience because it is a member newsletter mailed to paid members.
 - c. Motion to table – moved and seconded, passed
 - d. Next meeting Paul will answer questions about non-profit status and we will decide whether to move ahead with EBSCO or decline.
3. Call for writers to read their works over KING FM radio:
 - a. 4-5 people to go down there, 5 minutes per person
 - i. Ardi
 - ii. Lois
 - iii. Geneva
 - iv. Richard – board member leader
 - v. Robert - driver
 - vi. Suzanne Popp - alternate
 - b. Diana will turn over the information to the above volunteers, who will then contact KING FM and arrange a date and time.
4. We also have our anthology, "Apples and Oranges" for your purchase at \$10.00 a copy.
5. Next quarterly due 1st weekend of August.
6. Concern was raised over the lower General Membership Attendance because of the change to the Muckleshoot library.
 - a. The Enumclaw library changed their opening hours starting at 11:00 am instead of 10:00am.
 - b. Richard will look into changing time and going back to Enumclaw.
7. There is a new children's book group at Krain's Corner on Monday's at 12:00. It has been tabled until August because of vacations.