



DETROIT WORKING WRITERS

JULY 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to your July 2018 DWW newsletter! Our 118 year old organization's mission is to encourage creative writing of the highest professional standard.

NEXT DWW BOARD MEETING

There is no DWW Board meeting in July.

The next DWW Board meeting is Saturday, August 11, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:25 a.m. at Lukich's Restaurant in Troy. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to rlbrown417@gmail.com no later than Monday, August 6, so we can reserve the proper space.

REQUEST FOR WRITER/EDITOR

Name

Jerome Toson Sr
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research@lapael.life

Subject

Business Opportunity
Message

We're a social research company, looking to speak with a nonfiction writer/editor that has the ability to produce nonfiction content that reads like a novel. The candidate must have five years of production experience and is interested in a career business opportunity. The responsibility is to provide content development for books, ebooks, other publication and distribution services to the people of a much under-served market. The successful candidate must provide marketing leadership and delivery of our content production, which includes a blog with about 50,000 words of content currently, books, ebooks and other publications. If you're interested, send your resume to: research@lapael.life



DWW CRITIQUE
GROUP CALENDAR
FOR JULY 2018
THROUGH
DECEMBER 2018

All meetings are on
the second Saturday
of the month at
Lukich's Restaurant
in Troy.

2018

JULY 14

AUGUST 11

SEPTEMBER 8

OCTOBER 13

NOVEMBER 10 - to be
rescheduled due to
Writing Conference

DECEMBER 8

Watch your email for
your invitation to
submit your work for
critiquing!

REQUEST FOR FREELANCE WRITER

Hello,

My name is Audrey Isabelle and I'm reaching out on behalf of ConsumerAffairs.com. We are seeking an experienced freelance writer familiar with the businesses and neighborhoods in Detroit.

This writer will provide consumers with relevant information and local insight needed to make smart purchase decisions in consumer categories including insurance, personal finance and home repairs. The project will include a series of 10 writing assignments. Each writing assignment will be approximately 700 words.

Thank you in advance!

aisabelle@consumeraffairs.com

REQUEST FOR PLAY VENUES

Kelly Fordon collaborated on a one-act play with Robin Martin and it was chosen to be performed at the Dream Up Festival in New York, one of twenty companies worldwide. The play consists entirely of monologues shaped from the poems in my two chapbooks, *On the Street Where We Live* and *Tell Me When it Starts to Hurt*. They are currently looking for other venues for the production. Feel free to contact them if you have any leads!

Kfordon450@gmail.com



CALL OUT FOR DWW VOLUNTEERS!

This month I'm featuring the need for a Program Chair. The Program Chair arranges for presenters and workshop venues for up to four workshops per year and also posts the workshops for registration on Eventbrite (easy peasy; we will be show you how to do this). Please contact DWW President Roberta Brown at rlbrown417@gmail.com if you are interested or call Roberta at 248-854-2375.

DETROIT BOOKFEST

The Second Annual Detroit Bookfest is Sunday, July 15. Vernie Dale already has her own table and has graciously offered to share half of it with first dibs given to writers who didn't attend last year. Contact Vernie at

verondale@yahoo.com

4TH ANNUAL LOCAL AUTHOR BOOK SALE & SIGNING AT STERLINGFEST

Weam Namou is organizing the DWW table for this event. The event will be held on Saturday, July 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. outside the Sterling Heights Public Library. The library provides space for authors to participate in this event; however, participants must provide their own tables and chairs. Each table must be manned by two to three authors all day.

There is no charge for this event; it is a Sterling Heights Library program. It is an outdoor event located on a mostly covered sidewalk and will go on rain or shine. Contact Weam at

weamn@hotmail.com

if you are interested in participating.



KERRYTOWN BOOKFEST

Linda Sienkiewicz will be organizing the DWW table at this year's event, which is Sunday, September 9th. Contact Linda at

lindaksienk@live.com

Also from Linda: "Michigan authors: Are your books at the Scriptorium?"

Michigan readers: Books you want to read are at the Scriptorium!

Both authors and readers: Join us at the first bookfest Saturday July 23, 12-6pm! Details:

<http://www.greywolfepublishing.com/the-2018-scriptorium-bookfest.html>

OUR DWW MEMBERS'

LATEST AWARDS AND PUBLICATION CREDITS!

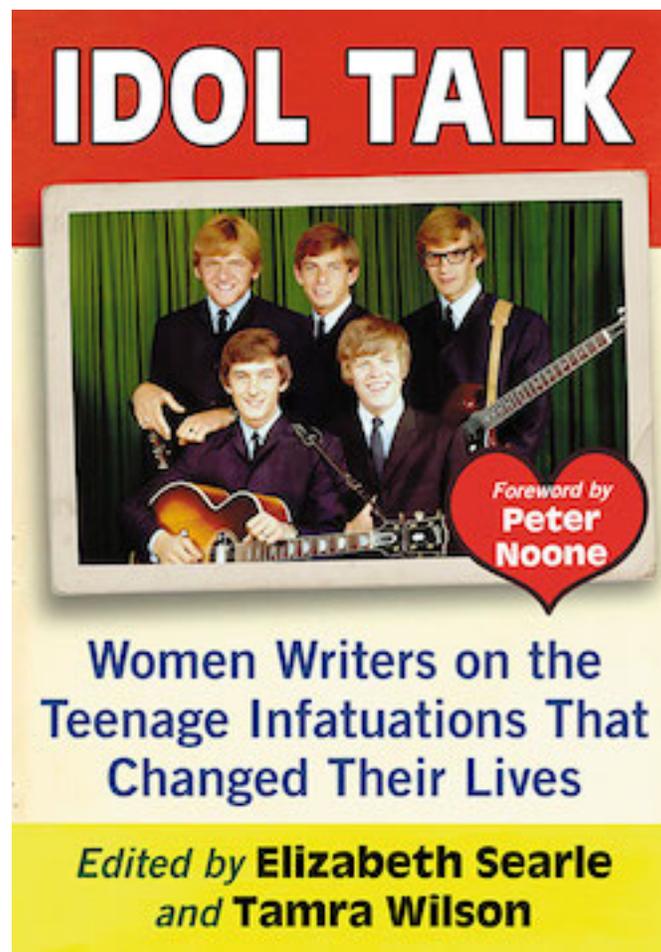
Linda's Horrible Celebrity Crush

Linda K. Sienkiewicz's essay, "My Horrible Celebrity Crush," is included in the new anthology by McFarland Press titled *IDOL TALK, Women Writers on the Teenage Infatuations That Changed Their Lives*. It's the first-ever collection of essays about teen idols by some of America's most fabulous female writers including bestsellers Ann Hood, Marianne Leone, Hank Phillippi Ryan, BA Shapiro, Dolen Perkins Valdez and Oprah Book choice Breena Clarke.



“*IDOL TALK* offers fun, distinctly unique stories of the right-of-passage experience of celebrity 'puppy love' and celebrates how these crushes changed these former teenyboppers' lives from a more mature perspective.” --Ann Moses, former editor of *TIGER BEAT* and author of *Meow! My Groovy Life with TIGER BEAT's Teen Idols*.

Available at <https://mcfarlandbooks.com/product/idol-talk/> and Amazon.





Elizabeth Buzzelli reports: “I got this June 13 from my editor at Crooked Lane Books: wanted to let you know that we'll be downpricing the e-book of A MOST CURIOUS MURDER to \$1.99 from 7/6-8/6 in anticipation of the trade paperback release of SHE STOPPED FOR DEATH. This is a US-only promotion across all retail sites.

Also: In Want of a Knife will be coming out in hardcover on September 15th.

And I'm hard at work on HE WENT OUT AND HANGED HIMSELF==which I'm loving. I get to follow in Agatha Christie's footsteps---an old Michigan lodge, a flood, characters with a murderer among them. I am having so much fun!!!!”

In May, Mary Merlo had four poems appear in the on-line publication of Scarlet Leaf Review. Here is the website where the poems appear:

<https://www.scarletleafreview.com/poems10/category/mary-merlo>

Diana Dinverno reports: “I'm delighted to have my poem "MoMA's Pond" appear 6/23/2018 in The Ekphrastic Review. Thanks to Lorette C. Luzajic for including my work.”

On June 19, 2018, Model D published an article “Michigan authors you should read.” Out of 10 authors, two are DWW members:

Linda Sienkiewicz for “In the Context of Love,” and Linda Nemeč Foster for “The Lake Michigan Mermaid: A Tale in Poems” cowritten with Anne-Marie Oomen and illustrated by Meridith Ridl.



This in from Vernie Dale:

Here in Michigan it's hot, hot, hot as it probably is where you live too. To match the weather, there's a hot deal going on all my ebooks: 50% off starting after midnight tonight and lasting all through the month of July. These books are available at Smashwords, which offers e-books readable on almost any device. My books feature a mix of dark fantasy, spiritual journey, and romance and are suitable for adults and YA. Take a look at them here: <https://www.smashwords.com/profile/view/vernied>

Barbara Rebbeck's short story "The Russians are Coming..." has been published in the Spring 2018 issue of the MacGuffin.

Two of the top three prizewinners in the Yule Love it Lavender Farm 2018 Poetry Contest are DWW members:
First Place for "Some Summer Day" by Diana Dinverno
Second Place for "Interlochen Chamber Music Camp: When the Music Ends" by Roberta Brown

We want to promote you and your writing! Please let us know your latest writing awards/credits/publications! Email your information to Roberta Brown

PLEASE PUT DWW WRITING/PUBLICATION NEWS IN THE SUBJECT OF YOUR EMAIL ;-) **at**

President@detworkingwriters.org

2018 WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE EVENT CALENDAR

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., November 10, 2018: Annual DWW Writing Conference, MSU Management Education Center, Troy, MI.
