

TIDINGS

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AAG Mission Statement

The mission of the Appalachian Authors Guild, a Chapter of the Virginia Writers Club, is to support and promote literary art throughout the Appalachian region, to encourage writers and authors to both preserve and build upon the literary history and heritage of the Appalachian region and to provide opportunities for readers to experience the joy of meeting our people, visiting our beautiful region and understanding the wealth of our culture through literary art.

Board Meeting
February 8, 2022 - 12-1pm
Workshop 1-3 pm
Small Business Incubator
Abingdon, VA



Hello AAG,

We are having our membership blitz going on right now until March 8th. You can renew or join for only \$20. If you are joining or have new info, please complete the membership form. You can do this on the website: appalachianauthors.com or print out a copy and mail it with your payment to AAG PO Box 803 Abingdon, VA 24212. We're looking forward to having you aboard with us in 2022. Lots of good speakers and events are planned.

Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, February 8th from 1-3 pm at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator. The board meets from 12-1 pm and you are more than welcome to attend that. The meeting will also be offered in Zoom in case you can't be here in person. Please let me know by Friday, February 4th if you plan to attend in person or by Zoom so I can have everything prepared for you. My cousin from the Barter Theater, Rick McVey, will be speaking to us on how theater tricks might help with book sales and marketing. It should be very interesting. Hope you can make it.

Be preparing for our March meeting. It will be our "Meet the AAG Authors" on Tuesday, March 8th. It will be held at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator as well so we have the ability to do Zoom for those that can't attend in person. Depending on the number that will be able to attend, we will have to limit the time for each of you to tell us a little about yourself and what you write.



All for AAG and AAG for all!

Members, please send Vicki your brief bio and picture for the AAG website. Also pictures of your book covers and links where potential readers may find them.

Contact Vicki via text/voicemail at vfletcher56@gmail.com or text/voicemail to 276-492-8314.

Board Meetings/Workshop

All members are welcome to attend the AAG Board Meetings as well as General Meetings. Next Board meeting will be Aug 10 2021, with program by poet Rose Klix.

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AAG Go Fund Me page.
Thank you for any support you can offer. Here is the link:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/supporting-appalachian-artists

If at all possible, please let me know by the end of February if you can attend. Reminders of this meeting will of course go out about a week ahead of the meeting. But with those reminders, I want to be able to give you the time limit, so you have time to decide on what you want to share.

I am really hoping that lots of you can attend. If more time is needed, we'll plan to continue this meeting at a later time. I enjoy hearing from each author and what they are writing.

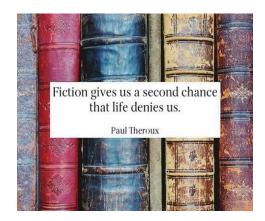
There will be a list of the 2022 meetings/presenters/locations/times in the Tidings as well as coming with the next update. I hope you're as excited for 2022 as I am. I look forward to seeing you.

As always, all 4 AAG & AAG 4 all, Vicki Fletcher, your 2022 president

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Many books by Appalachian Authors Guild writers and where they may be found are listed on the website. If not visited recently, check it out. A few are listed at the end of this newsletter.

AAG Bookstore



Podcast Opportunity

The Foundation for Appalachian Advancement has started a podcast to promote our region and local artists. The FAA has already interviewed guild president Victoria Fletcher and author Dan Swanson, but is hoping to interview more local authors in the next weeks and months. If you are interested in being a guest on the podcast, Appalachian Shine, please touch base with J.C. Schweingrouber at.jc@supportappalachia.org The podcast is available https://appalachianshine.podbean.com / and also on iTunes. You can listen to it on your iPhone by clicking the "podcast" app and searching for Appalachian Shine.



J. C. Schweingrouber



Members who would like to have their new works announced in Tidings should send the info and cover thumbnail, if desired, to the editor's email address.

Mscribe@aol.com editor, TIDINGS The 3^{rd} in Sylvia Nickels' Cameron Locke PI mystery series will soon be available. Hopefully by mid-November.

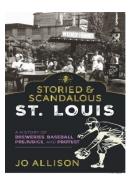
The video trailer has been uploaded to YouTube. Check it out.

https://youtu.be/ EtDI in7CE



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Jo Allison (pen name for member Linda Dobkins) has a new nonfiction work out October 1—and she has reissued the books in a fiction series that debuted five years ago. The new book is one of a string of urban histories published by Globe Pequot Press, the trade imprint of Rowman and Littlefield Publishers. It is Storied and Scandalous St. Louis: A History of Breweries, Baseball, Prejudice, and Protest.



The reissued Julia Nye mystery series is available on Amazon (and as ebooks on Nook and Kobo) but hasn't made it to libraries and bookstores yet. Those are coming soon.



Victoria Fletcher's stories have appeared in many anthologies, one such is her Animals Edition, always a nice gift for your animal loving friends.

