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September 2021 AAG Newsletter

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<u>Appalachian Authors Blog</u>

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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.

Next Meeting September 14, 2021, 11:30-1:30pm Shoney's Restaurant Abingdon, VA



Hello AAG,

I can't believe it is already September. Where does the time go???? I wanted to let you know about the final meetings for AAG in 2021. I hope to see you at some of them. The workshops will be offered on Zoom as well so if you can't be here in person, please join us that way. We all love to see our members.

Tuesday, September 14th: General meeting at Abingdon Shoney's from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Linda Hoagland will be speaking on using Social Media to promote your books.

Tuesday, October 12th: Board meeting from 12-1 pm and Workshop from 1-3 pm at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator. Dan Swanson will be presenting on Researching for your writing.

Tuesday, November 9th: General meeting at Abingdon Shoney's from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. We will have a Writing Grab Bag and installation of the Board for 2022. The Board for 2022 are as follows: President- Vicki Fletcher; Vice President- JC Schweingrouber; Treasurer- Dan Swanson; Secretary- Linda Hoagland; Publicity- JC Schweingrouber and Linda Hoagland; Tidings Newsletter- Sylvia Nickels; Zoom host- Kari Kilgore; Website and Membership- Vicki Fletcher; Board members-at-large- Addie Davis and Jason Houghton.

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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

We are busy getting ready for the 2022 AAG year. If you have topics or presenters you would like us to have, please email Vicki at vfletcher56@gmail.com.

Thank you for such an amazing year in spite of dealing with the continuing pandemic. I am really hoping 2022 can find us all able to meet in person again. I miss our fellowship time. It has been great to have Zoom though so people that are far away and cannot attend meetings in Abingdon can still be with us. It has been great to get to see some of you through our Zoom meetings. You can view our meetings on the AAG YouTube channel at any time. I try to post the link to view shortly after the meeting for those that wanted to attend but could not.

I am looking forward to serving as your president again for another year. As always,

All 4 AAG & AAG 4 all. See you soon. Vicki

Reminder

Vicki will begin in October getting the 2022 year's programs ready so contacts can be made to secure speakers. It really will help her to know what you have enjoyed, who you have enjoyed, and how we can improve AAG. The workshops and presentations are to help us all hone our craft, but knowing what topics would help you most helps her and the Board to do their best to provide them.

Remaining meetings for 2021 are:

September 14th, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, Shoney's, Linda Hoagland will speak on using Social Media to promote your books.

October 12th, 1-3 pm, Small Business Incubator, following the Board meeting, Dan Swanson will talk about researching for your writing.

November 9th, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, Shoney's, 2022 officer installation, Christmas Grab Bag and fellowship.



To order email or call: <u>vfletcher56@gmail.com</u> or 276-492-8314.

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 available podcast is 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

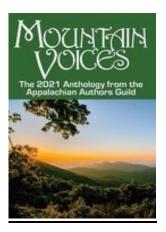
Virginia Highlands Festival

The official return of AAG's authors to the Virginia Highlands Festival was a great success this year.

They sold 272 of their own books and 48 for AAG at VHF. We hope you will be able to take part in this event next year.

Congratulations to those who braved this summer's extreme weather and the successful sale of books.

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Mountain Voices: AAG Anthology of 2021 \$10 + \$2 for shipping



Craving some delicious mountain recipes?

From Appalachian Kitchens: AAG Cookbook \$10 + \$2 for shipping