

DEAD TO WRITES

A MALICE IN MEMPHIS NEWSLETTER

MAY 2015 ISSUE

From the President:

Seth is going to be presenting a program on Scrivener which Kristi talks about in her letter from the VP. I want to wish everybody a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday and Happy Memorial Day on the 25th. Let's all remember our veterans and military that have made the supreme sacrifice for our freedom during this coming Memorial Day.

Missy

WRITING TIP:

Being critiqued is hard. You need to listen quietly, write down notes, consider what others are saying, and after careful consideration make the changes you feel are appropriate for your story. Sometimes this is tough when we get in a "yes but" mode. Every writer has a different opinion about certain items in their story. By rule of thumb, if more than one of your critique partners gives you the same advice it is best to give a hard look at what they are pointing out. One more very important item you must have when in a critique group: "A TOUGH SKIN" They are only trying to help make your writing the best it can be.

Keep writing
Barbara Christopher

All,

At our May 9th meeting, Seth Wood will conduct a tutorial on the writing software Scrivener. Below is an example of what this software can do for the writer:

Scrivener puts everything you need for structuring, writing and editing long documents at your fingertips. On the left of the window, the "binder" allows you to navigate between the different parts of your manuscript, your notes, and research materials, with ease. Break your text into pieces as small or large as you want—so you can forget wrestling with one long document. Restructuring your draft is as simple as drag and drop. Select a single document to edit a section of your manuscript in isolation, or use "Scrivenings" mode to work on multiple sections as though they were one: Scrivener makes it easy to switch between focusing on the details and stepping back to get a wider view of your composition.

This software is available for a free trial or you can purchase for only \$40.00. Go check it out at www.literatureandlatte.com/scrivener.php

Hope to see you all Saturday, May 9th at 10 am.

Kristi Bradley
VP Malice in Memphis

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:

I have posted the writing tip from one of last year's newsletter since we had discussed critique groups in the past. Barbara lost her brother in law this week so she is staying home with her mother in law. Seth Wood will be giving the program on a great writing program called Scrivener. I will have an article in next month's newsletter, in the meantime check out the boxes below with info from Richard and Angelyn.

Juanita

Secretary/Newsletter Editor

LIST OF LOCATIONS CHOSEN FOR THE GHOST STORIES

Missy	Bemis Mill, in Bemis TN
Kristi	Rainbow Lake in Overton Park
Barbara	Russwood Park and St. Columba Episcopal Center, Eads Elementary School ***
Juanita	Old Maley Yarbrough Funeral home Covington, TN, Small Tipton county town
Carolyn	Somerville, TN, Memphis Zoo
Elaine	Ivy, MS and Collierville, TN
Angelyn	Collierville, TN, Rhodes College area
Phyllis	Summer Avenue Drive in
Vicki	Raleigh, TN
Steve	Harahan Bridge, Tunnels under Memphis
Seth	Reelfoot Lake, Fort Pillow State Park
Jim	Fontaine House/ Midtown
Geoff	Shiloh, TN
Dee Evitt	Ames Plantation in Grand Junction, TN
Pat	Carousel at Mid South Coliseum
Richard	Mississippi River
Susan	set in Arkansas

***Eads Elementary School is the same as Eads clinic

If I wrote down the wrong thing I apologize in advance. Please let me know the correct location you have chosen or if there is an additional location for you. There are many places around the Mid-South area so let's write some ghost stories.

