

DEAD TO WRITES

A MALICE IN MEMPHIS NEWSLETTER

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Malice members,

If you haven't already checked out our new webpage, you can do so now by going to:
www.maliceinmemphis.weebly.com

We haven't officially launched the site, but it is live and we'd like you to take a look. We will be asking for feedback at this Saturday's meeting. Also, if you would like your bio and photo added to our site, it's not too late. All you have to do is submit it to me or Elaine at hookedonwriting@bellsouth.net.

If you have any websites, blogs or podcasts you think would be beneficial to our writing resource area of the website, please feel free to submit those links.

Please also keep us informed of any signings or functions that need to be added to the site.

This Saturday, September 10th, we will discuss the website, finalize our retreat plans and start planning for 2017.

Please try to attend as your input on these matters is important.

Our October 8th meeting - Vicki Dabney has agreed to present a program on Public Speaking. This should be very helpful to those who have difficulty in that area.

Our November meeting is replaced by the retreat at the end of October.

December 10th, is our annual Christmas Party usually held at Barbara Christopher's house in Eads, TN. We will give address and directions closer to time. Everyone brings a dish and we play Dirty Santa in which all members provide a gift in the \$10-15 range which can be writing related or something fun.

Hope to see everyone this Saturday!

Kristi Bradley, President
Malice in Memphis Mystery Writer's Group

WRITING TIP: FROM SEPTEMBER 2013

Interior Monologue is the expression of your character's thoughts and feelings. Even when you write interior monologue it should be filtered through the personality of the character who is thinking. Make the reader really feel what the character feels. Even when you have interior monologue don't "tell" the reader what your character is thinking. Try to show your character's reactions and interpretations of events.

Happy Writing

Barbara Christopher

Minutes for Augst 13, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m. by Kristi

In attendance: Kristi, Juanita, Richard, Lynn, Mary, Seth, Vickie, Dutch, Jim, Susan, Jackie, Carolyn, Angelyn,

Returning Guests Larry Hoy

Guests: Annette Miller and Cindy Wolff.

Treasurer's Report was given.

A motion was made to forgo the Reading of the Minutes by Carolyn and seconded by Vickie.

Announcements were made about Kristi's book which had just been released on August 9 by Dark Oak Press and about upcoming book signings for her. First book signing will be on August 27, 11-1p at Book Stop Plus which is just around the corner from the library. Second book signing will be September 17, 11-2 at the Book Juggler downtown.

New Anthology Theme: Memphis In May

Memphis in May has a website for info and background for stories for the upcoming anthology. <http://www.memphisinmay.org/>

Deadline for the new stories to be sent to Susan Wooten is September 30th.

Her email address is susanbwooten@suddenlink.net.

Website for Malice is coming along and hopefully will be ready by the September meeting.

Our retreat is coming up at the end of October. There will be an October meeting to finalized any last minute issues. There will not be a November meeting as the retreat will serve in place of a meeting.

I will put the final schedule of events for the Retreat in the October newsletter. We have a great line up for the retreat and you won't want to miss it.

Meeting was called at 11:55a by Kristi. Lunch at Brad's BBQ.

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Third Anthology news:

We are working on getting the next anthology which will be focusing on Memphis in May festivities. The stories can be ghost stories or mysteries, writer's choice. We are looking at a September deadline so that hopefully the release of the anthology can coincide with next year's Memphis in May. The list is on the last page of the newsletter of what everybody is writing.

CURRENT ANTHOLOGY NEWS:

I have conferred with Allan Gilbreath, our publisher at Dark Oak Press and 2nd Anthology and the anthology is with our group for final edits. The cover is in development and we will have a book very soon. Hopefully we will have an exact publication date soon.

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CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE:

<http://maliceinmemphis.weebly.com/>

NOTICE: IF YOU WANT YOUR STORY TO BE IN THE NEXT ANTHOLOGY YOU ABSOLUTELY MUST HAVE IT TURNED IN BY THE 30TH OF SEPTEMBER.

Malice in Memphis 3rd Anthology working title: Memphis in Mayhem

This is the list of what everybody is writing for the next anthology. I apologize up front if I missed something or didn't get it correct or didn't get everything that was said. I will correct it if you let me know. I tried to make sure I got everything. The Country for 2017 Memphis in May is Columbia

Mary	Ghosts
Dutch	Orpheum and F.A. Schwabs
Larry	Biker gets attacked across the river in West Memphis
Carolyn	Cotton Carnival in 1957 including a barge ride Witches and voodoo in Memphis
Jackie	First BBQ fest- Tourist from Steamboat. Killing the huckster, Hernando DeSoto
Richard	Crates of Cargo sent to Elementary School from Columbia
Lynn	Poster series connected to A murder – using the posters to solve the murder
Susan	Electrocute a musician during music fest fest.
Annette	Jerry Lawler – Championship wrestling
Vickie	Ghost of Tom Lee helps find missing person at Memphis in May
Angelyn	
Kristi	Missing person found in trunk of car
Juanita	Murder of a BBQ Fest judge after catching a team cheating
Seth	Mud at music fest Lovecraft inspired
Jim	First BBQ when it was across from the Orpheum
Cindy	Victims of the USS Sultana