April 2024



Awards go to Don Money, plus publication in magazines

Don Money had two contest placements in the Abilene Writers Guild Annual Contest held recently in Abilene, Texas. He won a 2nd Place Memoir (On a Bank With Pawpaw) and a 3rd Place Memoir (Last One on the Line)

In addition, his story (Hell's Marshal) earned an Honorable Mention in the L. Ron Hubbard Writers of the Future Contest for the 1st quarter 2024. The contest receives entries from all over the United States and worldwide. L. Ron Hubbard's Writers of the Future Contest is an opportunity for new writers of science fiction and fantasy to have their work judged by some of the masters in the field and discovered by a wide audience.

He also had some short stories accepted for publication in four different anthologies this month (paperback and e-book). Those included:Drabbledark III (Shacklebound Books)- "Calling" and "Enter the Spider"Programmed Hearts (Shacklebound Books)- "Court Martial of ARS-23C" Soulmate Syndrome: Box Full of Darkness (Wicked Shadow Press)- "Pick Up Line" and The Vault of Terror--Tales to Tell (Raven's Inn Press)- "Wunderkammer"

Next meeting

April 15,, 6:30 p.m., Simmons First Bank, 401 South Main Street in Searcy.

The Creative Writer

is a monthly newsletter for the White County Creative Writers of Searcy, Ark. If you have news stories or photos to share, send them to prowriter001@yahoo.com. Deadline for reader submission is seven days prior to each month's meeting. WCCW reserves the right to edit all submissions.

> President Anthony Wood Vice President **Rhonda Roberts** Secretary Lisa Lindsey Treasurer **Kim Vernon-Rodgers Conference Chair** Gary Rodgers Contest Coordinator **Dot Hatfield** Press Agent **Del Garrett** Webmaster Steve May

March meeting had 31 people present speaking on motivation in their writings

There were 31 members and guests in attendance for last month's meeting. The program consisted of the group discussing what motivates them to write. We'll be putting the answers together in a blog post pretty soon.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 15. The assignment is to write up to 500 words based on a prompt that each member chose. If you weren't at the meeting, but want to participate, <u>send us a message</u> and we'll send you a prompt.

If you live anywhere near Central Arkansas, we invite you to come visit us! We look forward to seeing you! For more information about the club, visit our web site.

Arkansas Writers' Conference June 1, 2024

This year's 80th Anniversary Arkansas Writers' Conference will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in North Little Rock. (4100 Glover Lane).

Keynote speaker will be Laura Castoro, who spoke at the WCCW Conference in 2022. Also, WCCW President Anthony Wood will be inducted into the Arkansas Writers Hall of Fame! For more information, visit the AWC website.



Castoro