## Our April 2019 Meeting



Our speakers today were Sandy Nowack and Kim Ortiz, both Assistant Directors of Career Services at Whitworth Univ., who came to tell us about their internship program - Sandy is also director of internships - and how student interns can help facilitate an individual or company's project. Students must be the primary beneficiaries by, for example, gaining experience and achieving outcomes that match their learning goals or gaining references, but students often bring expert social media knowledge to their employer. Students can also proofread, edit, etc. Interns' work can be done at school, home, or online if no physical office space is available and mentoring can even be done at a coffee shop. Evaluations have to be done at the end to ensure students receive credit.

Sandy Philbin shared how a student intern helped her with a project called "Pilates for Pooch & You." Sandy also announced the publishing of her book *Whispers of Inspiration for Busy Women*.

In order to post an internship, go to: whitworth.joinhandshake.com and be very explicit with what you need and want.

We had one guest who has since become a member. He writes as Michael Zargona. His first novel, *Turn Red Tomorrow* is available on Amazon Prime in paperback and kindle formats. He is a Christian vet, an honors graduate, a family man, and a small business owner who grew up and now lives in the Pacific NW.

Other announcements included: Tiffani Harvey recently sold 7 sets of her books at Denny's Harvest Foods in Cheney. Esther sold 8 books at the Shadle High School Arts and Craft fair. Larry Danek was there on Saturday and also sold

several books, while Dave McChesney sold enough on Sunday to cover his share of the cost for the booth.

Sue Eller showed us her new book, *Send in the Drones: An Emily Trace Mystery*. Sue will hold a book launch event on Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> from 11am until 2 pm at Second Look Books. Fred Jessett has compiled a list of online resources for writers and self-publishing groups, and will have it available in May. Stan Parks, who freely admits to being living in a community for the *chronologically-advanced*, shared his humorous answer to those who ask, "how does it feel to get old?"

It was noted that Bob Weldin had sent in a book review, but the web-master had not yet uploaded it to the SASP Web-Site. Bob also mentioned that former member Barbara Hollace would be involved in a writers conference at the end of May. Dave McChesney said he could provide contact information for anyone who wished to contact Barbara.

Marilee Hudon warned us about an outfit called Readers' Magnet and cautioned us not to get involved with them.

Tiffani helped with the door prize drawing. Winners included: Henry Sasser, Bob Manion, Stan Parks, Joyce Caudel, Mel Brown, Kate Poitevin, Esther Hildahl, Joyce Seebaum, Larry Danek, and Joan Carter. With that, the meeting ended.



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