

Our February 2019 Meeting

Spokane Authors and Self-Publishers latest meeting was on Thursday February 7th. The afternoon began with few puns and some laughs generated by President Jim Parry. This month's presentation was a group forum by some of our members. The topic for the day was *marketing*. Esther Hildahl spoke about selling books at various arts and craft fairs. Dave McChesney suggested that those on various social media accounts should make sure to be active on those accounts, while Marilee Hudon went into greater depth regarding social media. Sue Eller added more information about marketing.

Among our guests for the day were Joy Lynn and her sister, Glen Sutor, and Robert Carter. Robert is part of the Carter family which includes members Joan Carter and Kylea Carter. (As your editor recorded these names based on what he heard, it is possible one or more might be misspelled. He extends his apologies if that is the case.)

Dennis Held noted an up-coming poetry reading at the Unitarian Church on Fort George Wright Drive. Sandy Philbin announced her book, *Whispers of Inspiration* was due to be available on Amazon any day now. Tiffani Harvey said she is checking with thrift stores and consignment shops as places to sell her books.

Kate Poitevin mentioned meeting former SASP member Connie Causey, and said Connie may rejoin the group. President Jim Parry told us he'd written and submitted a review of M. J. Hudon's new book, *Waxing Is Useless*. (The review is posted on the SASP web-site at www.spokaneauthors.org)

Larry Danek let us know that he and Jim Parry both had stories in a recently published anthology. He said the initial printing had sold out within two hours. He hopes to have a copy or two available at our next meeting.

Door prize winners included Dave McChesney, Esther Hildahl, Caryl Briscoe-Michas, Sandy Philbin, Bob Weldin, Jolene Feher, Linda Sonntag, and Fred Jessett.

Our March 7th meeting will feature Stephen Pitters, local poet and host "Spokane Open Poetry on KYRS Thin Air Community Radio. This will be Stephen's third stint as our speaker.

We were going to try and resume our Ten Minute Discussions but ran out of time. We'll try to get back to that at our next (March) meeting. The topic will be as we announced for this meeting, dialogue and dialogue punctuation.

(Not long after our most recent meeting, your editor received an e-mail from member Tom Wallace, who lives in St. John, Washington. He had planned to attend our meeting but was involved with some medical procedures involving a family member. He also mentioned the formation of a writing group in St. John which meets twice a month. Your editor suggested Tom pass along the link to our web-site and future editions of our newsletter to members of that group. It was also suggested that these writers would be welcome to attend a future meeting of Spokane Authors and Self-Publishers, either individually or as a group.)



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