

## January 2021~~22~~ Guild Meeting

Saturday, January 15, 2022

12:30 PM

Eau Gallie Public Library  
1521 Pineapple Ave  
Melbourne, FL 32935



### Guest Speaker: Malcom Massey

You're writing the Great American Book Series! It's a superb set of books! But! How do you beat all these characters into submission?

Enter one of our newest members, Malcom Massey and his most popular class, *Managing Your Characters Over The Course of a Series*. Managing your series characters is critical to your artistic integrity. Over time, incongruent character details may cost you readers. In this workshop, we will examine characters, their role, key traits, and so forth. Distinctions will be drawn between the series/recurring/standalone character, as well as what one thing to *never* do with any series character. This workshop is for writers who have written or are considering writing a series, for all writers of all experience levels.

### Call for Submissions

## DAUGHTERS

There is nothing more important in life than family. Daughters in particular form a special bond that can never be broken - especially with their fathers. They influence our daily lives in ways we could never imagine. They are also influenced by our actions in ways we could never foresee.

Every parent says their children grow up too fast. Capturing the special moments in their lives is essential to creating lasting memories, through photos, videos, or stories.

The forthcoming anthology, *DAUGHTERS*, captures some of the stories of a daughter from two perspectives: being a daughter, or having a daughter (or both). Each viewpoint is equally enriching, and both should be shared with friends and family.



#### Submission Guidelines:

- One submission per person (fiction, non-fiction, essays), no longer than 8,000 words. The submission cannot be previously published or currently under review elsewhere. Submissions must be sent as an email attachment in MS Word format to [stilleypreciouspublishing.biz](mailto:stilleypreciouspublishing.biz).
- Images must be in JPG or PNG format at 300dpi and sent as separate email attachments.
- Authors must include a 75-word biography and a 1"x1" digital headshot.
- There is NO FEE to submit your work.
- The publisher reserves the right to edit or decline submissions.
- Contributors maintain copyright on their submission, but the overall copyright of the anthology rests with the publisher.
- *DAUGHTERS* will be published by Anthology Alliance and distributed through Amazon.com in Kindle and print formats by August 2022.
- Authors selected to appear in *DAUGHTERS* will receive a free copy of the print version of the book.



**Important Dates:** Submit your work by Sunday, May 1, 2022, for consideration.

**For More information:** Contact the editor, Scott Tilley, at [stilleypreciouspublishing.biz](mailto:stilleypreciouspublishing.biz)

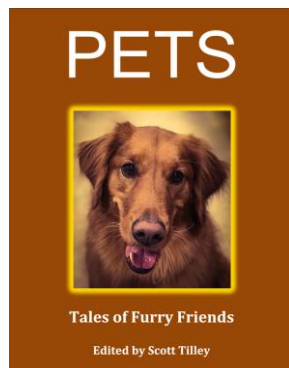
## PETS

### Tales of Furry Friends

It doesn't matter if you are a cat person or a dog person – if you like pets, then you know how important they are in our lives. Not every cat is Garfield, scarfing down lasagna whenever possible. Not every dog is Lassie, able to rescue children who have fallen down a well. But every pet is special: purebreds, mutts and mixes, and everything in-between. Who can say no to a friendly smile?

PETS is a collection of tales (tails?) about our furry friends. Service dogs. Rescues. Family companions. Childhood friends. Strays. Survivors. Saviors. These are some of the roles that pets play in our lives. **PETS** captures these stories for everyone to enjoy.

It's a big book: 329 pages with 25 chapters from contributors (and lots of photos of their pets).



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



First, please let me wish each and every member of SCWG a happy and blessed new year!

We have many more things planned for this year. We are establishing committees for the short story contest and each of our anthologies, along with specific timelines for each. This spreads them out throughout the year and prevents everything being done at one time. More information will be forthcoming in my emails to you and on the website.

Speaking of the website, Dan, our vice president and webmaster, has been busy adding to the site. The latest new addition will be an "Our Poets" page. Working remotely with Roseangela Baptista, the page should be online by the time you read this. I know I keep harping on this, but Dan needs each one of our published members to provide their information to be included on the Our Authors and Hot Off the Press pages.

I saw a meme on social media recently, with an anonymous author, that sums up the new year exactly. ***A new year is like a bank book. It has 12 chapters and 365 pages. And you are the author. My wish for you is that this year you write the most beautiful story possible for yourself. Happy New Year!*** And write on!

Cheers!

*Joanne Fisher*

Author and President of the  
Space Coast Writers' Guild

### The Adventures of Percy the Siberian Cat – Percy Conquers New York City

Percy Conquers New York City features the love story between a child and her first pet as they set off on an adventure to the Big Apple. For Heidi's tenth birthday, Mom promises them tickets to a live Broadway musical. Percy is a feisty Siberian cat who initially finds the crowds and noise of the big city to be overwhelming. While Heidi shows him some New York landmarks, Percy gets lost in Little Italy where he meets a native New York pigeon named Carrie. Fast-talking Carrie teaches Percy why New York is so grand while helping him face his fears. Together they explore the Statue of Liberty, the World Trade Center Memorial, the Empire State Building, and much more.

