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Join us and be inspired at November's Works in Progress gathering. Adjusted meeting date is Tuesday, Nov. 19. We welcome back a local author from his summer book tour in Maine. James Bruner, Esq. will chat with us about how a career influences and guides a chosen genre, successful publishing, and continuation in a series. James and his family reside in Florida and Maine. Both coastlines are resplendent settings for his mysteries. 4-6 pm at Story and Song Bookstore. <http://www.thebikecop.com>



How fortunate we are that Phil Scanlan retired here from corporate life in the northeast. Phil is responsible for the coordination of our island trail system for safe biking and

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and interests together for the traits that we enjoy today. Phil has just published his second book, "A Path for Reason in America." He identifies 23 national crises, shows their causes, offers no-or-low cost solutions for many of them, and provides the reader with innovative solutions to turn the country around. Phil's book, like everything he does, is thoroughly researched and expertly delivered. "A Path for Reason in America" is available at local bookstores and online.



Deb Boelkes of Business World Rising LLC, has a new (first of three) book coming out in a few weeks. Celebration of "The WOW Factor Workplace" release will held on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at the Omni Sunrise Cafe, 4-6 pm. RSVP by Dec.1 to Deb at:

Deb.Boelkes@BWRising.com. <http://www.DebBoelkes.com>

Local Author book signings this month:

Saturday, Nov. 23, 4:30-6 pm. at The Book Loft - Donna Lee Overly. "The Hitch, " from The Knot Series.

<http://www.donnaleeoverly.com>



Congratulations to Nancy Blanton! Her latest historical fiction book won a silver award at the recent Florida Writers Association annual conference. The Royal Palm Literary Award in Published Historical Fiction *Silver* went to "The Earl in Black Armor." Visit Nancy's website for an adventure in Irish history and much more.

<http://www.nancyblanton.com>

- **Check the Amelia Island Writers website calendar for focus group meetings, and Facebook for adjusted dates as they become available. Meetings may be adjusted for November and December.**
- **Send your announcements, book signings and good news in advance to be included in this newsletter. Program suggestions, comments, questions - send a note to Marla at divinemissmm@yahoo.com or Michael at mstokes@fernandinabeachlife.com**
- **If your book, blog, or related business isn't listed on our website yet, follow the contact/submission instruction.**

Thank you to our local independent bookstores for their support of us and our community. As a local writer commented - interacting with a person you know, maybe seeing friends in the local store, is more joyful than sitting home ordering merchandise on your computer. You might just make a new friend! Shop Local this holiday season. Thank you to Story and Song Bookstore Bistro and The Book Loft. And to all of our merchants and their unique stores and boutiques right here.

Friends of the Library announce their fall book sale Thursday evening, Nov. 14 - members only - with Friday the 15th and Saturday the 16th open to the public. Details at:

<http://www.fernandinafol.org>



Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Writing.

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