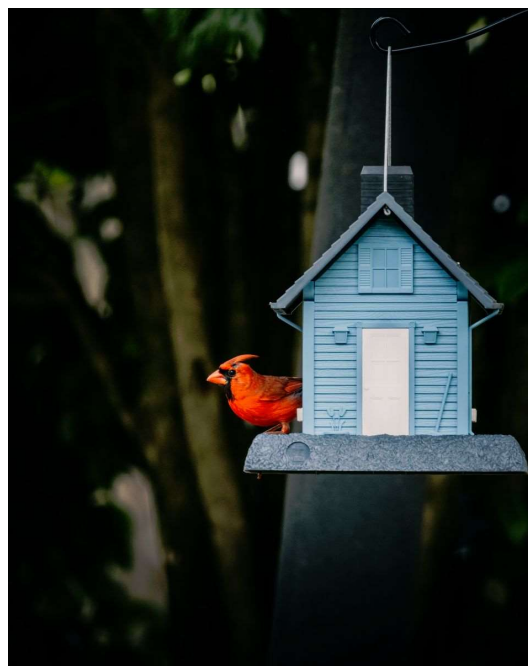


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Welcome new subscribers. We hope you enjoy living in Nassau County. Thank you for expressing your interest in writing and meeting area writers.

This newsletter was initiated two years ago to announce programs and share local author - writer news. It has kept us *connected* in the last year of being *disconnected*.



This year we plan to gather for at least two special workshops, along with *quarterly* general meetings.

The first general meeting is:

- **on Tuesday, March 30, 3-5 pm (traditionally we've met the last Tuesday of the month)**
- **at Story and Song Bookstore Bistro, Amelia Park**

Our 2021 journey is themed *First Impressions*.

Let's Get it Started,

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of our March meeting. Each of fifteen title types can be a guide for brainstorming your title, and help to shape your writing. A handout will be provided, and several local authors will discuss their approach to titles and writing.

Safety precautions are in effect; if you've been to Story and Song for any events, you know they are doing a great job with space planning and health guidelines. RSVP will be necessary for upcoming meetings.

Details in March newsletter

- Local Author Events, February -

Story and Song Bookstore:

Wed., Feb. 17, 4 pm. Author talk with Tommy Nocerino - in person and Facebook Live. "Bad Guy's Clothes" is a thriller set in New York's theater district in the 1890's.

Sat, Feb. 27, 2 pm. Author talk with Leah Ward-Lee - in person and Facebook Live. Leah has a gift to help people start businesses for themselves. She covers the necessary steps in "\$,1000 Start-Ups: 60 Businesses for Micro-Entrepreneurs...and How to Start Them."

Sat., Feb. 13, 12-3 pm. Reading and crafts with children's author Eileen Meyer. Just in time for President's Day, Eileen brings her award winning "The Superlative A. Lincoln," for this interactive event. You just might find that you are superlative too, as she highlights a man of many accomplishments and extremes.

Eileen's website: <http://www.eileenmeyerbooks.com>

Congratulations to Steve Gibbs on the release of his latest novel, "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean," which is set in Fernandina Beach. Steve is a prolific author, and led a writer's group in the Keys for many years. His wife, Jane Salvaggio is a mosaic artist. Her exquisite pieces can be seen and purchased at Island Art Gallery, 18 N. 2nd St. Steve and Jane moved from Key Largo to Amelia Island for retirement. Steve likes to meet people and share the highlights of his books in person. He and his books for sale can be found at the Fern. Bch. *Art Market* every other Saturday (a bi-weekly addition to the every Saturday Farmer's Market location, 7th & Centre St.).



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you by sharing your news. Suggestions, questions also welcome.

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Membership in Florida Writers Association is not required to participate in local programs.

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Want to know what's happening in our NE Florida region? Subscribe to Vic DiGenti's monthly blog. Vic is Florida Writers Association Regional Director. Vic's email is: vicdig@mac.com.

Become familiar with Vic through his own author website:

<http://www.parkerfrancis.com>



Valentine roses for you from author and artist Donna Lee Overly. Donna, Diana Frank, and Louise Jacques are members of the local Newcomers Club, and will be speaking with members this month about their experiences of writing and publishing a book.

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