

# THE GABRIEL WRITER

For the San Gabriel Writers' League – [www.sgw1.net](http://www.sgw1.net) – September 2015

## COMING SOON

### COME EARLY, 6:30, TO DISCUSS HOLIDAY PARTY

**October 2015** - Beth Stifflemire reprises her April presentation, concentrating on marketing your book. Officer nominations for SGWL Board.

**November 2015** - Kayla Marnach for NaNoWriMo month. Lighting a fire under your writing. Officer elections for SGWL Board.

**December 2015** - Christmas Party. Officer installations.

**January 2016** – Danny Woodfill owner of Julie's Book Spot. How to get your book into a bookstore.

**February 2016** - Deborah Winegarten, award-winning author of biographies for young people and poetry.

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## COMING October 1

### INTRODUCING OUR SPEAKER

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JOIN US!

**The  
September 3  
SGWL  
meeting  
is at the  
Georgetown  
Public  
Library.  
Gather at  
6:30;  
Meeting at  
7:00.  
See you  
there !!**

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**Pay Your  
2015 Dues!  
\$25  
Individual  
\$35 Family**

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**Beth Ann Stifflemire is a woman who decided to make dreams a reality in 2010. She created a bucket list and never looked back. To date Beth Ann has tackled many items on that bucket list: written a book, published a book, run a half-marathon, started a blog, changed careers and much more.**

**Beth Ann has been featured in the Austin American Statesman, Monster.com, Texas Wine Trail, Texas A&M University Communications Department Feature, Georgetown View Magazine and Hill Country News.**

**Through her bucket list journey Beth Ann uncovered an underlying passion for writing and decided to tackle it head on. She is a published author with her next titles to be released the fall of 2015: *Diverted Heart* (due out August 2015) and *Fates Betrayal* (due out October 2015). Beth Ann suffered a devastating and tragic loss in 2003 that changed the entire course of her future. This one single event changed her outlook on life and she knew she wanted to leave a mark on this earth. This ignited the desire to follow her passions and in 2010 after contemplating a way to personally document her life journey and aspirations the bucket list was born.**

**Beth Ann is from Texas and come from a family rooted in strong family values. She is the middle of three children and was forever affected when her parents internationally adopted her younger brother from Russia in 1994. This amazing little boy was a dream of her parents and through their unselfish act demonstrated to Beth that you can achieve the dreams of your heart. After graduating high school she attended Texas A&M University and received a Bachelors in Communications in 2004. She married her husband one week prior to graduation and they've now been married ten years and have a son. Beth Ann jokes that her husband was the first person she ever went on a date with, but the one who stole her heart.**

**When not writing, Beth enjoys spending time at home with her family, blogging, reading any self-help book or romance read she can get her hands on, likes trying out Texas wines, is an avid hot tea drinker, loves discovering all kinds of music and is adding a new pair of shoes to her ever growing closet inventory.**

## President's Words

Elections for SGWL are coming up next month. Come forward with your recommendations or desire to be one of our elected officers. Let your voice be heard.

Plan to attend our special Christmas planning meeting starting at 6:30 Thursday, before SGWL's regular meeting at 7:00pm. We need your ideas to make this Christmas Party Memorable.

A number of great writing classes are being offered by the Writers League of Texas in October and November. Check out their web site. We all need to sharpen our skills as writers.

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## September Minutes

### San Gabriel Writer's League Minutes

September minutes will be included in next month's newsletter.

Old Business:

Brag:

Program:

Adjournment:

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## Helpful Websites

Janet Kilgore suggests members check out the Writers League of Texas website <http://writersleague.org> to check out their affordable workshops and meeting speakers.

Freedom With Writing

<http://www.freedomwithwriting.com>

Sends weekly emails with detailed information on publications who will pay writers and who are looking for freelance writers.

## SGWL Board

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<http://annbell.wordpress.com/>

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<http://annamaebell.wordpress.com/>

**Martha Carr**

[www.WallisJones.com](http://www.WallisJones.com)

**Ross Carnes**

<http://webstarts.com/RHCarnesStoryTeller>

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[www.lblipscomb.com](http://www.lblipscomb.com)

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[www.janetkilgore.com](http://www.janetkilgore.com)

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**Jason Minor:**

[www.jason-minor.com](http://www.jason-minor.com)

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[www.GlyndaJoyNord.com](http://www.GlyndaJoyNord.com)

**Jamie Roton aka Lillian Grey blog**

<http://lilliangrey.wordpress.com/>

**Martin "Marty" Shelton**

<http://sheltoncomm.com>

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[www.sylviadickeysmith.com](http://www.sylviadickeysmith.com)

**Jane Thompson**

[www.bipolarhandbook.com](http://www.bipolarhandbook.com)

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## **A novel writing formula**

**Guest Post: by Katja L Kaine from [The Novel Factory](#)**

Here at the Novel Factory, we're into processes.

Writing a novel is a long, hard slog and, while we're certainly not averse to a bit (or a lot) of hard work, we like to make sure we're as efficient as possible and aren't wasting time where we don't need to.

One way we believe writers can save themselves from the risk of writing for months – or even years – and ending up with a spaghetti mess of a manuscript is to follow some kind of formula, or roadmap, which helps avoid wasted time staring at blank screens, going down blind alleys and writing dozens of scenes that have no place in the final novel.

So, I hear you cry, what is this magical formula of which you speak? With no further ado, let us delve into the roadmap. [Click here to read the full article.](#)

**Writing links we like:** The internet is full of wonderful writers sharing great tips and inspiration. Here are a few of our favourites from the past month.

[Smashing Magazine: Maximize your creative energy](#)

[99U: How to apply lateral thinking to your creative work](#)

[Aerogramme Studio: Top ten tips for writing novellas](#)

[The Poetry Room: Science shows something surprising about people who love to write](#)

[Tickld: 20 surprisingly profound quotes from children's books](#)

[Blog.ghost.org: How to make your own writing sound better without paying an editor](#)

[Helping Writers Become Authors: 4 methods to invigorate your prose with surprising sentences](#)

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