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“A good book isn't written, it's rewritten.”

- Phyllis Whitney

A background collage featuring a white mug filled with dark coffee, a large green monstera leaf, a stack of books, and a black pen. The collage is set against a light gray background.

WISCONSIN WRITERS ASSOCIATION

NEWS BRIEF

Serving All Writers Since 1948

Hey {Contact_First_Name},

Happy September!

Check out everything Wisconsin Writers Association has to offer this month!

SEPTEMBER 24TH AT 7:30PM

Jade Ring Gala

Register Now



WWA President's Message

August 2020

Had another free WWA Open Mic night last week – great attendance, wonderful writing. You know, hearing writers read their stuff is a tonic for the soul. Heartening, encouraging, and entertaining. But this session had the added attraction of the wonderful memoirist and teacher Sue Roupp delivering a short workshop on point of view. We'll be doing more of these open mics in the months ahead – keep an eye out.

Coming up fast – save the dates:

September 24, 7:30 – 9 PM. [Jade Ring Writing Contest Gala](#), in which all Jade Ring and WWA High School Writing contest winners read from their winning entries. Formal attire is encouraged! C'mon...it's a Zoom, let's lively up ourselves.

October 3, 9 AM to 1 PM. WWA Fall Conference. It's our *No Conference Rooms, No Interstates Conference*, all Zoom naturally. We've got a fabulous line-up, and since it's virtual and inexpensive, you simply must be there. Details here:

<https://wiwrite.org/event-3948511>

If you'd like to help WWA support writers across this big state, let me know. Get in touch. And keep on writing.

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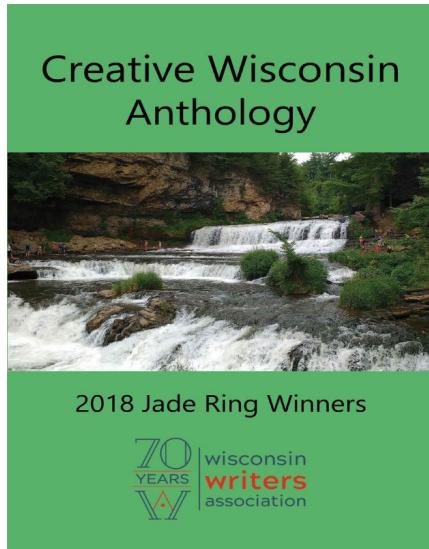
Be Our Jade Ring Contest Manager

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Ready to be a Member of the Board?

WWA, a registered 501(c)3, is managed by a Board of Directors. Board members focus on policy and the goals of the mission to support Wisconsin writers as they achieve their own writing goals. If interested, contact Barry Wightman, barrywightman9@gmail.com. Not ready for the board, consider other [volunteer opportunities](#).

Next Board Meeting September 2, 2020; 10:30 am conference call. Members are welcome to join as observers. For more information, contact [Kymberley Pekrul](#).



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Contests and Submission Opportunities

We've updated our contest and submission page on the website! Make sure to check it out.

Contests:

[Iowa Short Fiction Award](#)

[Dzanc Books Diverse Voices Award](#)

[Red Hen Press Fiction Award](#)

[Lorian Hemingway Short Story Competition](#)

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Submission Opportunities:

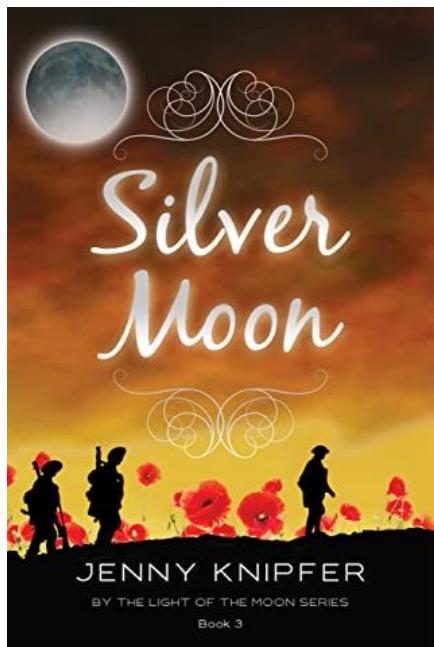
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Book Review

Julia Knipfer keeps readers flirting with danger and romance in her historical serial, By the Light of the Moon. Silver Moon was released in June.

Silver Moon, by Jenny Knipfer

Historical inspiration fiction, 409 pp

Published August 11, 2020, Vine Leaves Press

The third book in Knipfer's By the Light of the Moon series draws the reader into World War One on the European front and at home in Webaashi Bay, Canada. Although this story stood alone quite well, readers will be intrigued to see how the family drama developed in the first two stories plays out. This story felt comfortable for a first-time reader to the author, more like being welcomed by new friends. The setting, a time of need, camaraderie and survival, brings the large cast and reader together. I enjoy history, and Knipfer's research and literary replay put me in place in Canada and the trenches of France and Belgium.

Read the full review [here](#).

Thank you again to our dedicated team of book reviewers. If you're interested in becoming a reviewer or would like to see a review of a WWA member book, please check the guidelines under the Blog-Book Reviews tab at <https://wiwrite.org/book-reviews> or email me, lusalickel@yahoo.com

Member News:

Got news? Email [Julia Nusbaum](#) by September 20th to share your news in the next brief.

On Friday, August 7, Tom & Debbi King's folk band, HALLBJORN, presented their newest, original Northland adventure music & poetry at Lucius Woods Performing Arts Center "Music on the Docks". This unique LWPAC concert, created for safe distancing of all, was held in Solon Springs, WI, on Upper St. Croix Lake. Five bands, each situated on docks at the north end of the lake, played as boats of music lovers toured to each. Wordy, musical fun! Debbi and Tom live and write in Solon Springs, and are members of Wisconsin Writers Association and Lake Superior Writers.

Author Katey Schultz Honored with Two Book Awards. Schultz's new novel *Still Come Home* was recently awarded *Forward INDIES* Book of the Year in the Adult General Fiction category. Loyola University Maryland's Apprentice House Press is pleased to announce that Schultz has won another prestigious award, being named a Finalist in the 14th Annual National Indie Excellence Awards.

Laurel Bragstad's novel, *In the Comfort of Shadows*, is featured in the newly published, *Eat, Read & Dream Cookbook*, by Geraldine J. Clouston and Susan Weintrob of indieBRAG (Book Readers Appreciation Group). Their glossy, full-color cookbook has 190 pages of award-winning books that have also earned the B.R.A.G. Medallion. Recipes were developed according to each book's storyline, characters, location, or main focus. Book genres include: children's, fantasy, historical fiction, horror/paranormal, literary fiction, middle grade, mystery, non-fiction, romance, science fiction, and thriller. Recipes include appetizers, breads, desserts, drinks, fish and other main course items, salads, soups, vegetable dishes, and even a dog treat recipe. [The cookbook is available on Amazon.](#)

Diana Randolph, Drummond, had one drawing and one poem published in *The Thunderbird Review*— an anthology of Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College, a poem published in *Red Cedar*, an annual journal of the arts and literature of UW – Eau Claire – Barron County, two haiku poems published in *The Ashland Daily Press*, one poem accepted for a word challenge contest held by Forest Lodge Library in Cable and published on their website, then read on WOJB-FM by a radio announcer.

Kerri Lukasavitz's Oak Lane Stable Adventures trilogy, *Gray Horse at Oak Lane Stable* (Book 2), has been published by Three Towers Press, an imprint of HenschelHAUS Publishing and is due to be released September 1st. Kira Henschel will also now publish *Mystery Horse at Oak Lane Stable* (Book 1) - a fully revised Second Edition. [Preorder book 2 here.](#)

WRITING PROMPTS



Write a story from the different perspectives of two people meeting for a blind date.

Write a poem about the moment day becomes night.



Editors Note: The WWA NewsBrief is about member accomplishments, writing events, and contests. It is delivered at the end of each month. If you have news for the October issue please send it to the [editor](#), by September 20th. Thank you.

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*“When a poet digs
himself into a hole,
he doesn't climb
out. He digs
deeper, enjoys the
scenery, and comes
out the other side
enlightened.”*

- Criss Jami

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