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Official eNewsletter of the Texas High Plains Writers

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Bi-Monthly Newsletter

Letter From the President

Hello Writers!

It's THAT time, back to school, Friday night football, shorter days, and weed pollen.... just me? AND Tri-State Fair! Which means the **Tri-State Fair Parade**. Luckily, this isn't our first rodeo when navigating around the Parade set-up and route to have a meeting. Below is a street map of the parade staging to help you plan a way to Sharpened Iron Studios. Last year we had MINIMAL problems, and the roads were not blocked off. Just plan accordingly and take your time.

Coming from the West, I take the I-27 South exit, stay on the Frontage Rd/Canyon Drive to 24th Street, Turn Right on 24th, go West to Tyler, Turn Right, and drive North to 14th.

Thanks again to everyone who submitted stories for our 2022 Anthology. The stories I took a sneak peek at were really good.

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors or an event committee in the 2023 year, please message us through our Facebook Group, email us at info@texashighplainswriters.com, or email me directly at authorkrbrorman@theblondekb.com.

As we wind down another year, remember it's not too late to finish that draft, query an agent, enter a contest, join or start a critique group or maybe just show your BFF your first chapter.

The world needs our words.

Happy Writing,

KRB

Member news

Summer Baker's short story "I Hope This Email Does Not Find You" has been accepted by Little Blue Marble for publication in December of 2022.

Have news of your own you'd like to share? Email info@texashighplainswriters.com with the words Member News in the subject.

September Special Guests - Blue Handle Publishing

Blue Handle Publishing was launched in June 2020 when author/founder Charles D'Amico signed local Amazon bestselling author Andrew J Brandt. D'Amico then hired a team of publishing professionals, and together they have signed fiction and nonfiction book deals with an award-winning playwright, an NFL coach, an international rock star, and several talented writers with incredible stories to share.

Charles D'Amico

Founder and president of Blue Handle Publishing. He also writes the award-winning Neil Baggio suspense series and standalone coming-of-age story One Golden Day.

Madison David

Vice president of Blue Handle Publishing. The Amarillo native served in the marketing and sales departments for Workman Publishing (Water for Elephants, What to Expect When You're Expecting) in New York before being hired by Blue Handle

Ricky Treon

Editorial Director for Blue Handle Publishing. Ricky worked in the newspaper industry for more than a

decade as a reporter
and editor before becoming
an award-winning author of
four novels,
including Let the Guilty Pary
and Divided States.

THPW 2022 Calendar

- **January** -Tex Thompson - Editing Like A Boss
- **March** - Kim Black, Donna Rosson, Kristine Brorman - Critique Groups: Pannel discussion the Whys & Hows w/ Whos & Whats thrown in.
- **May** - Linda Broday
- **July** - Troy Lambert, Plottr - Learn how to plot like a pro!
- **September** - Blue Handle Publishing - The publishing world is changing quickly, in ways both good and bad. Get an insider's view from Amarillo's local traditional independent publisher!
- **November** - TBA

Your Board is working diligently to bring great programs that meet the needs and desires of our members. **Please let us know if you have any program ideas or requests.** We always welcome input from our members.

Critique Session Guidelines

Critique Sessions resume after the regular bi-monthly meeting.

- Times New Roman 12pt font
- Double Spaced
- Max 500 words
- Bring 5-10 copies
- Be prepared to contribute
- Be open to critique

- Be kind

Meetings are held on the third Saturday in odd-numbered months: January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome. There is no fee for members of Texas High Plains Writers to attend our regular bi-monthly meetings. A \$10 fee may apply to nonmembers.

(Note: We must occasionally switch our meeting location, or we may need to change the date to avoid conflicts. So, please check the address and date for each meeting.)

Our meetings/programs follow this schedule:

Board of Directors Meeting

8:45 - 9:30 a.m.

Check-In and Meet & Greet

9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Business Meeting

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Program/Presentation

10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Critique Session, if Announced

12:15 - 1 p.m.

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