



## *San Gabriel Writers' League*

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*March 2026*

*The 2026 Writing Contest ends April  
30<sup>th</sup>. Get your story in now!  
Details are on our website.*

### *Upcoming Events - From Dave Perkins*

- *Sunday, April 12, at 3:00 PM, is an open mic at Lark and Owl in Georgetown. It is hosted by Bill Reynolds. Perhaps a couple of members would like to come out and read a page from a work-in-progress. Dave plans on being there.*
- *Second, if anyone is interested, the date for the next One Page Salon is Tuesday, April 07. It is held at Radio Coffee and Beer in Austin from 7:30-9:30 PM. It is a fun event.*

*For more information, you can contact Dave Perkins at [sgwlcontacts@gmail.com](mailto:sgwlcontacts@gmail.com)*

### *Shout Outs*

- *Congratulations to Caryn Hawk. She has been selected to serve again this year on a 2026 GABFest Panel (Greater Austin Book Festival) on May 16th at the Austin Public Library. The panel is tentatively entitled *It Takes a Village: Editors, Authors and Other Collaborators Who Get The Book To Print*. She will also have a booth and participate in the vendor fair.*
  - *The 3rd Annual Greater Austin Book (GAB) Fest 2026 takes place on Saturday, May 16, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Austin Central Library. This free, one-day event celebrates local literature, featuring book signings, author panels, and workshops for readers and writers from Travis, Williamson, and Hays Counties.*
    - *When: Saturday, May 16, 2026, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m*

- *"Members **Linda Thornton**, journalist, and **Kerry Dashnaw**, author, were on hand at Sun City's Nonprofit Fair to impress on attendees that Writers' League members are composed of those writing on napkins for years to Emmy-nominated writers and everyone in between!"*



- *Linda Thornton was invited to speak to the newspaper staff at the Treehouse Learning Community, a part-time enrichment program for homeschoolers in Georgetown.*

*Linda said her fellow journalists, aged 10 - 14, were wise beyond their years, delivering polished, witty, and sophisticated content.*

*Linda shared some writing tips, answered their thought-provoking questions, and said that the students impressed her with their quick thinking during the writing exercise challenge she had created for them. A good time was had by all!*



## *New Members*

*Please welcome:*

*Patricia Otto*

*Keb Burns*

## *Next meeting is:*

*Our next regular meeting is **April 2nd***

*Social Time begins at 6:30. Come early and meet and mingle before the formal meeting begins!*

*If transportation is needed, please contact [sgwlcontacts@gmail.com](mailto:sgwlcontacts@gmail.com)*

### **“Hybrid” Meeting\***

**Thursday, April 2, 7:00 – 8:00 P.M.**

**Tom Becker**

*will present*

### **“How to Create Your Own Author Website”**

In 2025, while writing his first novel, *Deadly Reach*, Tom Becker developed his own author website, [www.tlbecker.net](http://www.tlbecker.net). In this presentation, Tom will share his experiences and learnings to help anyone create their own website.

Tom grew up on a farm near a small town on the edge of the Sandhills region of Nebraska. He loves the wide-open Midwestern plains but couldn't wait to travel the world. After completing graduate school, he embarked on a global journey, living and working in countries around the world. He currently lives in Georgetown, Texas. When he's not traveling, you might find him helping out at the local community theatre, trying to break par on the local golf course, researching and reading in the library, or working on his writing in his home office

The in-person hybrid meeting is held at the **Community Room in the Parks Administration Building located at 1101 North College Street in Georgetown, Texas.**

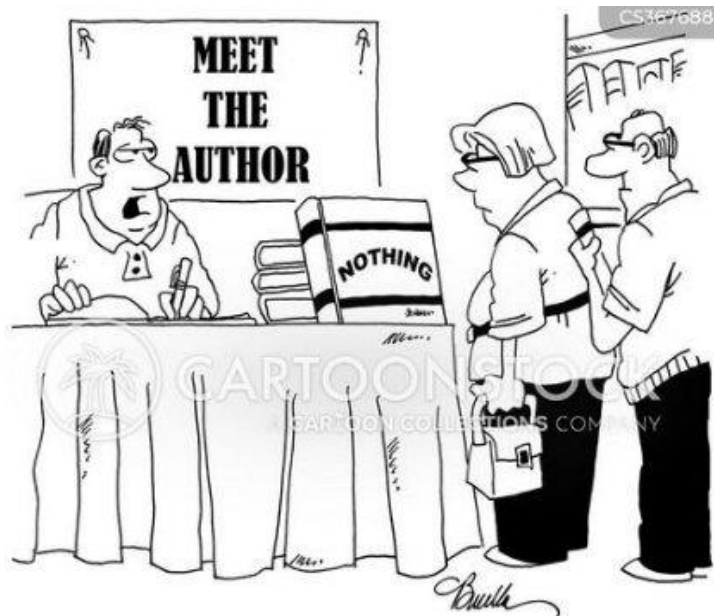
*\*Special Note: Zoom links will be sent out to all members between March 28 and March 30. If you do not receive an email ZOOM invitation by March 31, please send an email to [sgwlcontacts@gmail.com](mailto:sgwlcontacts@gmail.com)*

*(Bring a copy of your books, articles, blogs, etc for display to let members know what you write!)*

*Have an idea to improve the League? Know of a potential guest speaker or subject matter you'd like to hear? Want to serve as an officer? Do you perform a service to the writing community, such as an illustrator or editor? Let us know! Contact any of the Board members personally or email [sgwlcontacts@gmail.com](mailto:sgwlcontacts@gmail.com)*

*We want to hear from you!*

*Ken Stubert, President  
Kerry and Peter Dashnaw, Co -Vice Presidents  
Lisa Greinert- Treasurer  
Joyce Munsch- Secretary*



"I was always told to write about what I know."