



## September 2021 Guild Meeting

Saturday, September 18, 2021  
1:00 PM  
Eau Gallie Public Library  
1521 Pineapple Ave  
Melbourne, FL 32935



### Guest Speaker: Gene Luke

Okay, you've written your first book. Now, what do you do? Come to the September Guild meeting and let our own Gene Luke show you *How to Publish Your Own Book with Kindle Direct Publishing (KDP)*.

Born and raised in the former Yugoslavia, Gene Luke Vlahovic acquired a love for literature from reading the European Classics at an early age. He has had many books published in the former Yugoslavia and the United States.

Gene is the founder of the *Brevard Authors Society*, and has organized and promoted many literary events, book festivals, and literary contests. He continues to support his fellow authors with free educational seminars in formatting, book cover designs, publishing, marketing, and promoting. Gene Luke lives in Rockledge and enjoys writing new stories in three languages.

### And the Winner is...

Actually, the winners are! The short story contest winners have been announced.

- 1st - *The Little Soldier* - by Susan Wood
- 2nd - *Jacksonville Naval Air Station - 1964* - by Jem Golden
- 3rd - *Little Petey* - by Jessica Broyles
- 3rd - *Barking Mad* - by Annie Lou Pirie
- 4th - Honorable mention - *The Brewing* - by Janet Corso
- 4th - Honorable Mention - *The Old Homestead* - Olive Pollak
- 5th - Honorable Mention - *The Lame Detective* - Kay Williamson

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Welcome to the new and improved website for the Space Coast Writers' Guild! The website we've had for a couple years has served us very well. But it had its limitations, and we were bumping up against those limitations. Primarily, our webmaster and Vice President Dan Fisher ran out of space to put our authors on that page. So, he has spent the past couple months working with Robin McDonald of MacRed Designs redesigning and rebuilding the website from the ground up.

Some folks say, "Well, it should only take an hour or so to build a website." That may be true, but if this was to be done right it needed to be planned out, piece by piece, as one would plan out and design a house.

Please take your time to peruse the website. If you haven't yet, please send your author information to Dan at the link below. He will need a good quality headshot photo (with a plain, light-colored background), a listing of your latest book or your last few books, and a short bio. It should be about the size of a Tweet. Also, please let Dan know what you think about the new website: what you like about it and what you don't like. He really needs the feedback. Also, please make [scwg.org](https://scwg.org/) your go-to place for information about our Guild.

Sincerely,  
*Joanne Fisher*  
President, SCWG

## MISCHIEF!



It seems that SCWG members had a grand time writing their short stories for the latest anthology, *Mischief!* The Guild decided to mix it up a bit this time and combine the short story contest with the anthology. Well, the contest entries have been scored and the awards handed out. The anthology is complete; it just has to have a few kinks ironed out. Stay tuned!

## Mentoring Help Needed

Raven Morgan, a senior at West Shore Jr/Sr High School is working on a Senior Project wherein she plans to write and publish a book of ten short stories, including designing her own cover art. Her research paper will discuss the mental health benefits that creative writing has on teenagers, including positive impacts on self expression, self esteem, and anxiety.

Part of the project includes finding an expert in your chosen field of interest to mentor you. This person would be there to help guide me through my project and verify that I have completed 20 hours of work on the project.

The requirements of the project advisor are as follows:

- provide feedback.
- complete an **Evaluation of Student** form.
- sign a log to confirm our meetings.
- make suggestions for further development of the project.
- allow the student to conduct an interview with you for her research paper.

If you would like to assist Ms. Morgan with her project, please email her at [raven.reese.morgan@gmail.com](mailto:raven.reese.morgan@gmail.com).