

September 2019

SCWG Monthly Meeting

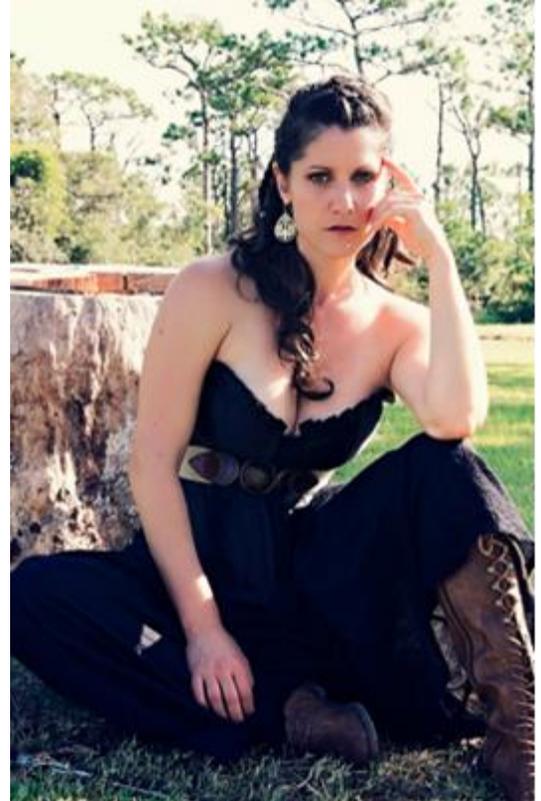
Saturday, September 21 at 1:00 pm at Garrett's Run Condo Association Clubhouse, 7900 Greenboro Drive West Melbourne, FL 32901



Refreshments will be served, as usual! 😊

September Guest Speaker: Jaimie Engle

A bit about me? I write fiction where magic turns ordinary into extraordinary for those who enjoy YA books. I've been writing since I fell into Alice in Wonderland at age 7 and have won awards for several of my stories and books. I also have a pretty cool company called Wick Books(TM), which are handcrafted candles based off magical drinks from my books. When I'm not writing, I speak to kids about bullying and teach authors about marketing their books. You can learn more about me and my products at www.thewriteengle.com.





Call for Submissions

**Deadline
extended to
Sept. 27, 2019!**

PETS

Tales of Furry Friends

It doesn't matter if you are a cat person or a dog person – if you like pets, then you know how important they are in our lives. Not every cat is Garfield, scarfing down lasagna whenever possible. Not every dog is Lassie, able to rescue children who have fallen down a well. But every pet is special: purebreds, mutts and mixes, and everything in-between. Who can say no to a friendly smile?

The forthcoming anthology, *PETS*, is a collection of tales (tails?) about our furry friends. Service dogs. Rescues. Family companions. Childhood friends. Strays. Saviors. These are some of the roles pets play in our lives. *PETS* captures these stories for everyone to enjoy.



Watson's 3rd Birthday

Submission Guidelines:

- All pet lovers are allowed one submission (fiction, non-fiction, poetry, essays), no longer than 8,000 words. The submission cannot be previously published, or currently under review elsewhere. Submissions must be sent as an email attachment in MS Word format to stilley@preciouspublishing.biz.

- Please send a photo of your pet(s)! Images must be in JPG or PNG format at 300dpi.
- Authors must include a 75-word biography and a 1"x1" digital headshot.
- There is a \$25 non-refundable submission fee, payable online at <http://bit.ly/2VpYsUG>

Are you a member of a writing group? Contact the editor for a \$10 discount!

- The publisher reserves the right to edit or decline submissions.
- Contributors maintain copyright on their submission, but overall copyright of the anthology rests with the publisher.
- *PETS* will be published by Anthology Alliance and distributed through Amazon.com in Kindle and print formats by Oct. 2019.
- Authors selected to appear in *PETS* will receive a free copy of the print version of the book.

Important Dates: Submit your work by Friday, August 23, 2019, for consideration.

For More information: Contact the editor, Scott Tilley, at stilley@preciouspublishing.biz



Anthology Anyone?

The Space Coast Writers' Guild announces the Call For Submissions to its next anthology – Change.

Submission Guidelines: All SCWG members in good standing are allowed one submission (fiction, non-fiction, poetry, essays), no longer than 5,000 words. Submissions must be sent as an email attachment in MS Word format (DOC, DOCX) to bod@scwg.org.

Center the title in all capital letters and center the Author's name, in upper and lower case, below the title.

ENTRIES MUST be single spaced in 12-point Times New Roman type. DO NOT use a special size or font for titles. DO NOT number pages and for prose please type past end of line instead of using enter key.

Submissions cannot be previously published, or currently under review elsewhere. All submissions must be accompanied by a 75-word author biography and a 1"x1" digital author headshot. Images must be in JPG or PNG format at 300dpi.

- Include the author's name, address, telephone # and email address as well as the title of the submission. Prose must contain a word count below email address.

Important Dates: Submit your work by **Saturday October 12, 2019** for consideration. Change will be published and distributed through Amazon.com in Kindle and print formats by Christmas.

Note: Not a SCWG member? No problem! Submit your work, along with a \$40 non-refundable entrance fee, and you're in. Plus, you get one full year of membership in the SCWG. The SCWG reserves the right to edit or decline submissions.

Contact bod@scwg.org for more details.

Hot Off...

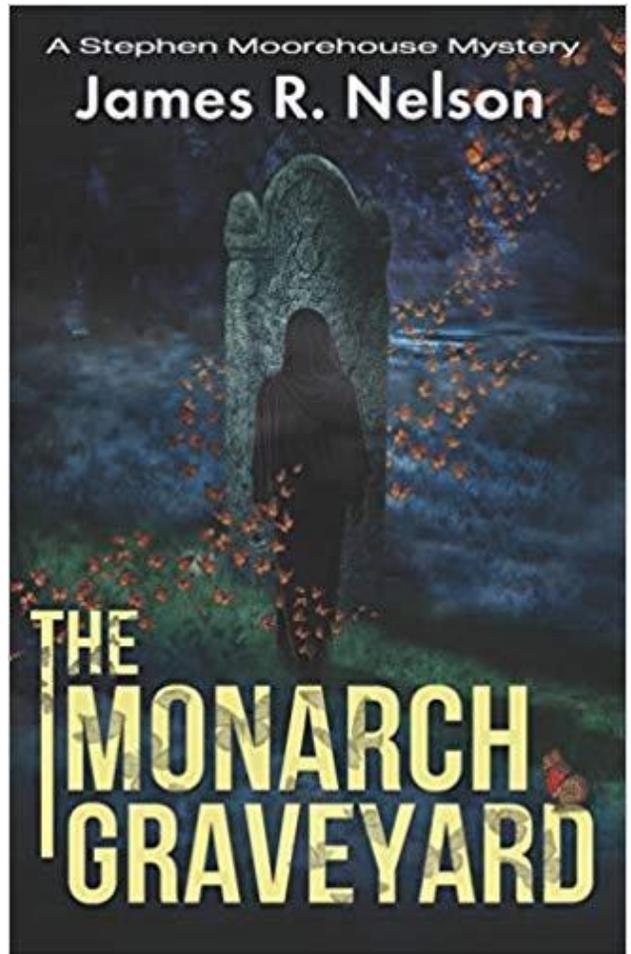
It's been four years since young Stephen Moorehouse spent his first summer at his Uncle Phillip Kahle's mansion, overlooking Lake Superior in Michigan's untamed Upper Peninsula. Stephen's kidnapper, the murderous Paulie Deluca, has broken out of prison. Will he come for Stephen again?

The beautiful scream-queen, Barbara Jenkins, pays an unexpected visit to Cliffside Manor. Why is Phillip being so secretive about her visit, and why did she bring enough luggage to stay six months?

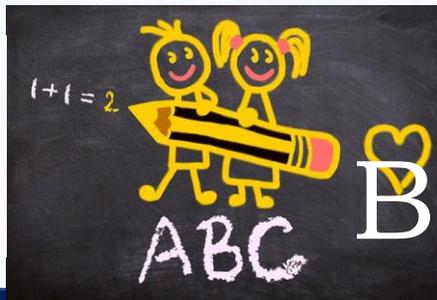
Phillip's friend and movie financier, Cyrus Bonaventure, disappears after a wedding in Florida. Laid up with a badly sprained ankle, Phillip sends Stephen to investigate. A series of clues takes Stephen from Florida to Los Angeles and then to a small desert town where he makes a startling discovery.

Phillip creates a monarch butterfly sanctuary with a huge granite memorial stone to honor Britt Adolphson's memory. When a mysterious woman, dressed all in black, her face covered in a veil, appears at this memorial, visitors are upset and frightened. Why is she there? Why does she stand like a statue, not speaking, scaring the children? Something needs to be done.

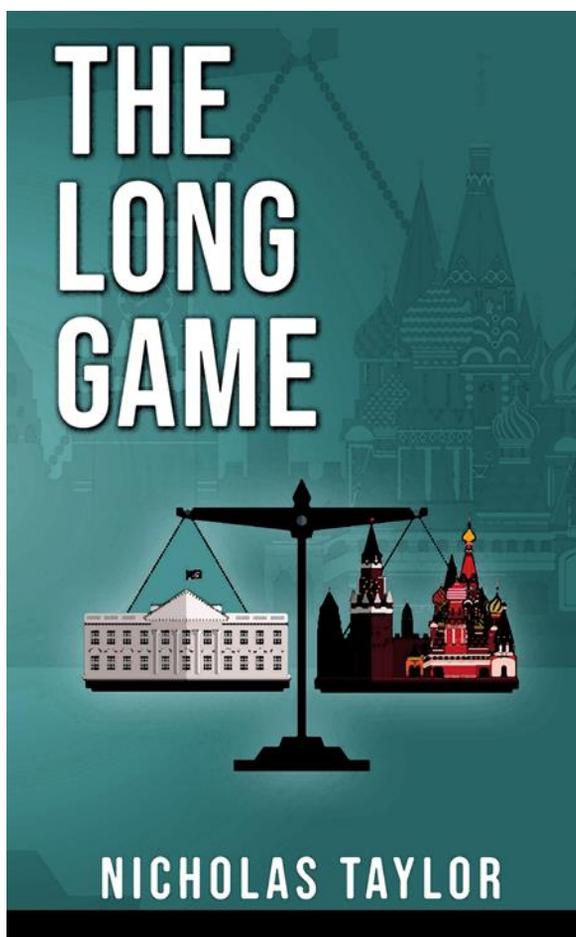
Several dramatic plot lines weave together in *The Monarch Graveyard* to create another thrilling mystery by James R. Nelson.



James R. Nelson is a mystery writer who lives on Florida's Space Coast. His 10th mystery, *The Monarch Graveyard*, has recently been published. Raised in Michigan's remote Upper Peninsula, the solitude of living in the woods helped him develop a love of reading and an interest in authors and writing. He graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree and then went on to obtain a Master's Degree in Education.



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THE LONG GAME

Russian Intelligence Officers engaged in a training exercise decide to take advantage of a wealthy American businessman for their monetary gain. They bait him with a beautiful woman who eventually becomes his wife. Little did they know, the American had political aspiration and they now have one of their spies deeply embedded in the middle of American politics. Pillow talk anyone?

Turmoil ensues when a terrorist attack occurs that turns the political landscape between Russia and the United States into total chaos. The result is a story of outrageous fortune, political intrigue and a shift of world power never before contemplated. Who will win when the Russians play The Long Game?

The Long Game is available on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)



Nicholas Taylor is a graduate of the University of Missouri and The George Washington University. He has worked in Aerospace, Military Contracting, and Academia. He has traveled extensively throughout Europe, Asia and the Middle East for work and pleasure. He is currently retired and lives with his wife beachside in Florida.



Miscellany

FOR OUR INCURABLE GEEKS: The week between 9/10/19 and 9/19/19 is Palindrome Week. A palindrome, as you may know, is a word or phrase that reads the same forwards and backwards. Take 91019, 91119, 91219, 91319, 91419, etc., for example. They read the same forwards and backwards. For more geeky palindrome dates, go to

<https://www.timeanddate.com/date/palindrome-day.html>

Fun Facts About September

September is:

- Baby Safety Month
- Better Breakfast Month
- Classical Music Month
- Fall Hat Month
- Hispanic Heritage Month
- Little League Month
- National Blueberry Popsicle Month
- National Courtesy Month
- National Piano Month
- Self Improvement Month
- National Sewing Month

September 1: Emma M. Nutt Day (the first woman telephone operator)

September 2: Labor Day

September 6: National Fight Procrastination Day. (I'll get around to celebrating that, real soon, now!)

September 8: National Ampersand Day;
National Pet Memorial Day.

September 12: Chocolate Milkshake Day

September 13: Blame Someone Else Day. (I like that one!)

September 14: is National Cream Filled Donut Day (Yum! Yum!)

September 17: CONSTITUTION DAY

commemorates the ratification of our Constitution on this date in 1787.

September 21, our meeting day, is:

- International Peace Day
- International Red Panda Bear Day - Third Saturday in September
- Miniature Golf Day
- Oktoberfest begins in Germany - date varies
- World Gratitude Day

September 23 is the Autumnal Equinox. Look for your leaves to fall and the temps to immediately drop into the 60s. NOTE! It's also Dogs in Politics Day. (I'm not kidding, folks!)

September 25: National Comic Book Day.

September 27: Crush a Can Day and Native American Day.

September 28: Ask a Stupid Question Day, along with National Good Neighbor Day. (Perhaps we're good neighbors when we don't punch someone in the nose for asking a stupid question!)



Attention all Authors and Writers

Speak – Read – Present – Teach - Sell



This opportunity is a true service to our senior community. You can speak or read or present or sell your books. Preferred genres are romance, murder/mystery, historical fiction or non-fiction, how to non-fiction, poetry, young adult, sci-fi and many more. All other genres will need to be cleared with organizers at RiverView.

To set up your speaking engagement or for more information, please contact Jackie Cantwell, Director Life Enrichment, River View Senior Resort, cantwelljackie@riverviewsr.cpm Tel: 321-759-2385



**NOW AVAILAIBLE IN
PAPERBACK!**

Joanne Fisher's new book, *The Devil of St. Gabriel*, was released in e-book August 14. It is now available on paperback! Visit joannesbooks.com or amazon.com to order.

***Presenting the 3rd
Annual***

**Authors In A Box
Book Bash 2019**

**Sponsored by The Space
Coast Writers' Guild**

When? December 7, 2019

10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Where? Melbourne Square Mall

How Much? \$60 for Guild Members;

\$80 for nonmembers

Email Joanne Fisher at

jfisher@scwg.org or IM on

Facebook/AuthorsInABox for more information and payment options.

**PRESIDENT'S
CORNER**



“On writing, my advice is the same to all. If you want to be a writer, write. Write and write and write. If you stop, start again. Save everything that you write. If you feel blocked, write through it until you feel your creative juices flowing again. Write. Writing is what makes a writer, nothing more and nothing less. — Ignore critics. Critics are a dime a dozen. Anybody can be a critic. Writers are priceless. — Go where the pleasure is in your writing. Go where the pain is. Write the book you would like to read. Write the book you have been trying to find but have not found. But write. And remember, there are no rules for our profession. Ignore rules. Ignore what I say here if it doesn't help you. Do it your own way. — Every writer knows fear and discouragement. Just write. — The world is crying for new writing. It is crying for fresh and original voices and new characters and new stories. If you won't write the classics of tomorrow, well, we will not have any. Good luck.” — Anne Rice

I absolutely love her quote and I practice it as closely as I can.

Sincerely,
Joanne Fisher
President, SCWG