**SUGGESTIONS FOR WRITING FOR *THE 2021 REAPorter***

**What we need:**

**Memoirs /Short stories /Poetry**

**Articles** — history, science, ethical /philosophical opinion

**Reviews** — theater, films, books, music

**Cartoons /Puzzles /Photographs /Artwork**

*Only original work will be accepted. A maximum of two articles or stories per author will be published, so select your best work. The best way to write for the REAPorter:*

**Fiction/ memoirs**

Write it all out — opening, story, conclusion. As you write, remember to give us descriptions of what you (or your character) saw, heard, tasted, felt. Use the senses and put in color and emotion.

**Articles/ opinion pieces /reviews** Use logic, catch phrases, and metaphors to make your article convincing. If it is technical or scientific, break up the text with subtitles to make your points clearer to the reader.  Following REAP policy, the content should not be political, religious, or highly sexual in nature.

**After** writing your submission, put it aside for a few hours, even a full day, and then review and make changes to improve the work. Read it aloud to listen for how the sentences flow. Now is the time to cut details that will not engage the reader and add details that will.

Be sure to include a title and your name as you wish it to appear as author.

**Submitting your work:** Please send it to the editors Bernice Keebler, at [bfk@efkeebler.com](mailto:bfk@efkeebler.com), or Meredith Hecht at [smhecht2@yahoo.com](mailto:smhecht2@yahoo.com), and Bill Park, technical editor, at [qbsl@earthlink.net](mailto:qbsl@earthlink.net). The preferred method is to send your written work typed in Microsoft Word as an email attachment. It can also be sent as the text of an email message. If you do not use a computer, you may submit the article in typed form and a member of the staff will type it into the computer. Photographs and artwork can be submitted by email attachment or on a USB memory stick (thumb drive). The maximum length of an article should be about 1,000 words (two published pages). You may include photographs **with attribution** if necessary or clip art to enhance your article or story.

Again, any photographs or material from other sources need to be labeled with attribution noted.

**We’d like to hear from all of you***:* past writers of course and from the Hemingways and Virginia Woolfs and Picassos who have not submitted before.

The REAPorter has always been a superior publication. Your submission will keep our tradition alive!

**26. Send it now! Deadline:** The banquet, June 2, 2021.

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