

# THE GUILD GAZETTE

Writers Guild of Virginia Online Newsletter

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## A Postponement and Another Exciting Partnership

Last month's *Guild Gazette* featured the masterclass series "Writing Your Memoir," which was to start June 15th at [Turn the Page Bookshop](#). Because of the instructor's illness, the series has been postponed, but you can still register your interest on the website: [WGV](#). All other benefits from our partnership with this fantastic bookstore continue to be available, but be sure to show your WGV Membership card at the register to take advantage of them.

In the meantime, the WGV Board invites all members to participate in an exciting new opportunity to socialize with other WGV members, enjoy refreshments and beautiful art, and sell your books!

See p. 3 for details on the new partnership between Rappahannock Arts League (RAL) and Writers Guild of Virginia (WGV) and find out how you can participate.

## WGV Board of Directors

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## WGV Members in the News

Send your author news to: [cindy@cindylfreeman.com](mailto:cindy@cindylfreeman.com) by the 15th of each month.

⇒ This space is for **YOU** and your accomplishments. Do you have a new publication, book signing, launch, or writing award to announce? Don't be shy! Contact Cindy L. Freeman: [cindy@cindylfreeman.com](mailto:cindy@cindylfreeman.com).

**Please note: there will be no newsletter in July, but we look forward to celebrating you in August.**

⇒ On May 4th, Elaine's Restaurant in Old Town Alexandria hosted **Bradley Harper** (a lifetime member of WGV) with his acclaimed mystery books, *A Knife in the Fog*, *Reflections in a Dragon's Eye* and *Queen's Gambit*. A few days later, Brad appeared on Good Morning Virginia, WTVR, to talk about the upcoming short film adaptation of his award-winning book, *A Knife in the Fog*. Keep making us proud, Brad (AKA Father Christmas).

## Advice from the Experts

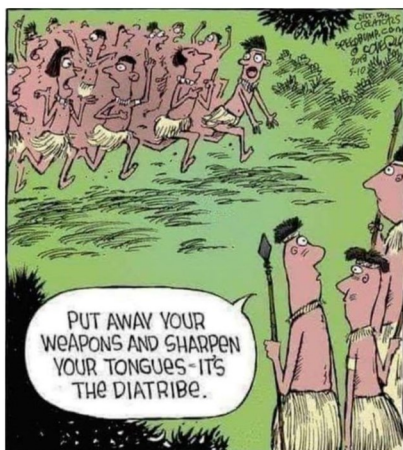
**Jaclyn Goldis** author of *The Chateau*, *When We Were Young*, and *The Main Character* did not start out as a best-selling author. She practiced estate planning law at a Chicago firm before giving up her lucrative career to travel the world and write novels. Goldis advises writers to “Focus foremost on the joy of creation, the fact that we writers get to create the worlds that live in our heads. Bathe in appreciation every time you scratch your favorite pen over a fresh notebook in dappled sunlight and a thorny plot problem dissolves.”



## Quirky English

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DICTIONARY. IT  
GAVE ME  
UNKNOWN PUNSTER ©2018  
THESAURUS THROAT  
I'VE EVER HAD

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“to have and to hold from this day for-  
ward. To place you before me except  
after C all the days of my life.”



WHAT DO YOU CALL AN  
ALLIGATOR IN A VEST?



AN INVESTIGATOR.

## WGV and RAL Unite to Showcase Visual Art and Written Word



The Rappahannock Art League (RAL) and the Writers Guild of Virginia (WGV) are excited to announce their collaboration for the upcoming Second Saturday Social event, starting June 15th from 5-7 pm at the RAL Gallery, 19 N. Main St. in Kilmarnock. It will bring together the worlds of visual art and written word, as

WGV members will sell and share their books alongside RAL's stunning collection of artwork.

RAL's First Friday event is already a monthly tradition at the gallery, where visitors enjoy refreshments, meet the artists, and view the latest exhibitions. This new addition of Second Saturday as a monthly event invites WGV members to socialize and network with each other and showcase their literary works.

The WGV Board invites its members to the new Second Saturday Social at the RAL Gallery in Kilmarnock. If you are interested in being an exhibitor, please email Jeanne Johansen:

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For more information, visit the [WGV](#) website. Don't miss this exciting event that brings together the best of visual and written art in Kilmarnock, VA.

### Schedule

Saturday, June 15, 5 - 7 pm

Saturday, July 13, 5 - 7 pm

Saturday, August 10, 5 - 7 pm

Saturday, September 14, 10 am - 4 pm: WGV Book Festival

Saturday, October 12, 5 - 7 pm

Saturday, November 9, 5 - 7 pm: David Cariens' Memoir Launch

Saturday, December 14, 5 - 7 pm

### Check Us Out:

Writers Guild Website: <https://www.writersguildva.com>

Writers Guild Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069653723114>

Writers Guild YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JZU7VZKke0Y>