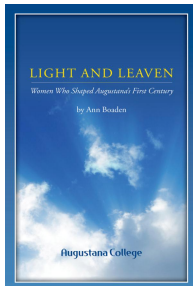


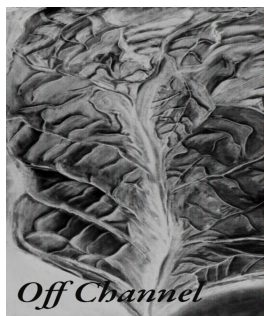
Book Launches & Signings:

Sept 10th, 1-3 p.m.: “Light and Leaven: Women Who Shaped Augustana’s First Century” by Ann Boaden.



Sept 10th, 2-3 pm: “Off Channel”.

Some of the finalists and winners of the 2011 Mississippi Valley Poetry Contest will be reading their work from Off Channel which will be sold at a discount.



Sept 17th, 4-6pm: “How to Avoid Being and Other Paths to Triumph” By Jane VanVooren Rogers.

This chapbook of poetry was written mostly about women’s issues and female empowerment. It contains award-winning poems from Augustana College and Western Illinois University.



Great River Writer's Retreat Reading at MWC Friday, Sept 9th, 7 p.m.:



The winners of our Great River Writer's Retreat, Robert Manaster and Christiana Langenberg, will be reading some of the work they will have completed at their retreat at Benet House. **FREE.**

Date	September	Place
1	Poetry Workshop Series Begins 6-9p.m.	MWC
3	The Writer's Studio 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	MWC
9	Great River Writer's Retreat Reading, 7 p.m.	MWC
10	Ann Boaden Book Signing 1-3 p.m.	MWC
10	Off Channel Launch 2-3 p.m.	MWC
11	Online Creative Writing Basics Workshop Begins	MWC
17	The Writer's Studio 11a.m.-1p.m.	MWC
17	Common Errors in Writing 1-3p.m.	MWC
17	Jane Van Vooren Rogers Book Launch 4-6p.m.	MWC
22	Cecil Murphey Workshop, 6-8:30 p.m.	MWC
29	Out Loud @ 7p.m.	MWC
30	Banned Books Reading 7-9p.m.	MWC

Date	October	Place
1	The Writer's Studio 11 a.m.-1p.m.	MWC
8	Pen In Hand 8:30 a.m.-5p.m.	MWC
15	The Writer's Studio 11a.m.-1p.m.	MWC
21	The Bohemian Ball 7p.m.	Blackhawk
25	Children's Literature Festival	Rivercenter
27	Out Loud 7p.m.	MWC
28	Horror Writer's Book Signing 7-9p.m.	MWC
28	Slam Poetry	MWC



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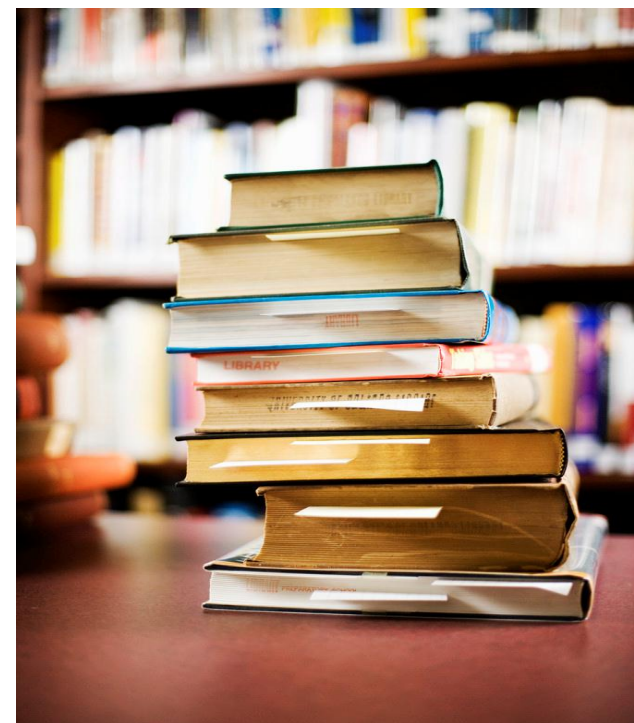
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September-October Calendar of Events 2011

“Fostering appreciation of the written word, supporting and educating its creators.”



You're Invited!

To The Bohemian Ball!

Oct. 21st 7-10pm



Join us as we travel back to the 1920's to enjoy delicious food and live music at this fundraiser for the Midwest Writing Center. The Bohemian Ball will also feature a silent auction.

If you have any items you wish to donate for the silent auction, please call 563-324-1410 or e-mail mwc@midwestwritingcenter.org

Tickets:
Early Bird:
\$25
At the door:
\$30

Join us for lunch with **Jennifer Chiaverini**, author of the Elm Creek Quilts Series

Noon on November 7, 2011
The Radisson Hotel
111 East 2nd St.
Davenport, IA 52801



- Contact the Midwest Writing Center to register
- Early Bird Pricing Due by October 1st - \$20 per person
- Regular Pricing after October 1st - \$25 per person
- Reservation Deadline: November 4th

Writing Workshops

Sept. 11th—Oct. 9th Creative Writing Basics On-line Course: Get an introduction to writing without leaving your house! Enroll in this on-line course through the Black Hawk College at www.bhc.edu. Part of the proceeds benefit the MWC.

Sept. 17th—Common Errors in Writing : Join Jane VanVooren Rogers from 1-3pm to explore some of the most common writing errors and ways you can avoid them. Whether you're writing an article or memoir, a novel or a dissertation, the same errors can trip you up.

For \$10 you can have up to 5 pages of writing reviewed (manuscripts due by Sept 10th). Visit www.midwestwritingcenter.org or call us at 563-324-1410 to register.

Sept. 22—How to Write and Sell Your Books to a Publisher with Cecil Murphey: Beginning with learning to write a book concept in 3 sentences, you'll receive tips on how to write the proposal (and you won't have to write the book until you have a contract). You'll learn the best ways to connect with editors and agents and how to write a one-sheet to approach editors and agents. The seminar will conclude by focusing on your platform—why you're qualified to write your book and what you can do to promote it. 6 - 8:30 p.m. at Midwest Writing Center; cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Visit www.midwestwritingcenter.org or call us at 563-324-1410 for more information and to register.

Submissions will be accepted for the Out Loud Poetry Anthology beginning Oct. 1st. All who have previously participated in Out Loud events may submit!



Banned Books Reading
Sept. 30, 2011 7-9pm at MWC
Email mwc@midwestwritingcenter.org if you would like to participate

Pen in Hand Writing Conference

October 8th, 2011

8:30-10:15a.m.—Writing and Taxes with Ann Capion

10:30a.m.-12:15p.m.—Intellectual Property with Ellen Tsegaris

1:15-3 p.m.— Creating Buzz for You and Your Book with Twila Belk

1:15-3p.m.—*\$10* Writing College Essays with Kent Barnds

1:15-3p.m.—*Free* Writing Class for Youth Ages 10-14 with Ryan Collins

3:15-5p.m.—Creative Writing Basics with Jodie Toohey

Register by Oct. 1st for an Early-Bird discount:
\$20 per workshop (unless stated otherwise)
or \$60 for all workshops

After Oct. 1st, \$25 per workshop or \$75 for all

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2011 Collins Children's Literature Festival

Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at The River Center. This festival is for students and their adult supervisors in traditional or home-schooled settings. Go to

<http://www.midwestwritingcenter.org/RedesignedSite/Events/Children's%20Lit%20Festival.htm> for information about our presenters and a brochure with a registration form to sign up.

Out Loud Open Mic Nights at the MWC
Last Thursday of Each Month from 7-9 p.m.
September 29 & October 27

