



INK SPOTS



***The Newsletter of the Fremont Area Writers, A part of the California
Writer's Club***

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MISSION STATEMENT: Fremont Area Writers educates writers and the public by providing: a. Forums for educating members in the craft of writing and marketing their works and, b. Public meetings, workshops, and seminars open to all writers and the general public to facilitate educating writers of all levels of expertise.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

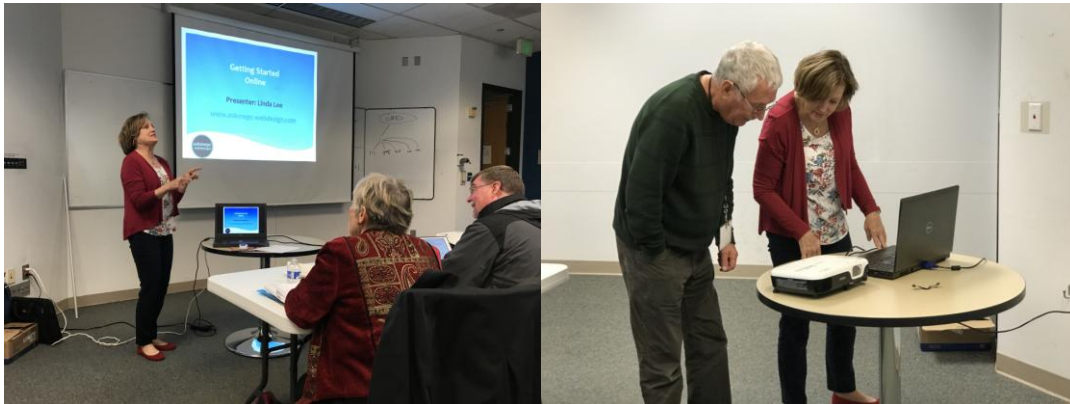
So many returning FAW members and several new members are gracing our monthly meetings. It really shows that our club is doing a great job at meeting writers' needs. Being with people not only improves one's social life, but can also lead to "being in the right place at the right time." Fremont Area Writers and the California Writers Club are more than just entities in which to network. We find the speakers informative and encouraging and the friendship of other writers stimulating to our writing life.

Let us continue to be with our writer friends and attend the monthly meetings so we can reap a lot of benefits among ourselves



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Linda Lee was the Guest Speaker at the FAW's March 24, 2018 Regular Membership Meeting. Her topic was "Want to Reach Your Audience Online?" Linda Lee is a writer and an online expert.



FEATURE OF THE MONTH



Jan Small

Jan Small, award winning artist, writer, teacher has successfully conducted a school of art for the past 50 years. Her art has been exhibited nationally and internationally, seen on television, published in newspapers and magazines, and purchased for public and private collections.

She has lectured and demonstrated to art associations, churches and Christian organizations. Jan has taught art classes through College of Holy Names, Oakland, CA, Fremont School District, Fremont Recreation Department. She has taught special classes to the mentally and physically handicapped, to senior citizens and to abandoned and abused children at Alameda County Juvenile Hall.

Jan's first published story was in Aunt Elsie's column of the Oakland Tribune when she was 11 years old. It was a story about her pet chameleon lizard. Jan won an Aunt Elsie pin for her efforts.

She has the following books published:

Healing By His Design is about designing your feelings and giving them to God to heal.

Revelation Illustrated has 214 paintings and stories about the paintings.

The Making of An Artist - The First 70 Years, an autobiography about how God made this artist.

Inspirations Of A Tour Of Dreamworks Studios is made up of illustrations and stories by Jan and her students of creatures never before created.

What Do You Want To Be When You Grow Up? Is a children's book.

How To Draw and Paint A Cat 68 Ways Is an amusing book of illustrated cats in different professions.

How I Hear Him tells stories of how God talks to her and how she uses the information

She holds 4 classes a week in her studio. She continues to write the books and paint the visions given to her by our Heavenly Father.

Jan resides in Fremont, CA, with her husband, Larry. Her sons and their families live nearby.

Her work and contact information can be seen on her web site: www.jansmall.com

She may be contacted by email, jan@jansmall.com or by phone: [510.656.1844](tel:510.656.1844)

ALL ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

Terry and Anita Tosh



“CIO” was the term used to describe a boy that moved from Coffeyville, Ks, via Bartlesville, Ok, to San Jose , Ca at the formative age of 13.

At the age of 8, started spending most of his free days at the Boys’ Club in Oklahoma, where he learned to sing and get comfortable in front of a crowd while entertaining ancient people at the local geriatrics facilities. It is so easy to get compliments there, even if you are a skinny kid with huge ears.

Once the family settled in our new world, the “California Improved Okie” integrated into the vastly different universe, and managed to stay alive.

At the age of 13, was introduced to the sweet, innocent girl that would become his lifelong mate. Terry and Anita have been a team since the ages of 13 and 14, married at 16 and 17 and parents at 16 and 18.

He loved to act and sing, and was involved with the high school and college theatre world from 9th grade until dedicating his life to God at the age of 23. We also note the somewhat forgettable roles of donkey and detective, in elementary years...tried to forget them altogether.

Terry and Anita celebrated their 45th anniversary in October of 2017, and are the parents of 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren.

He plays piano and organ (albeit without the official written notes), and still enjoys a good comedy skit on special occasions.

Anita lead the way in their writing endeavors, when she discovered her love of telling impromptu stories to her eagerly awaiting grandkids, and decided to try her hand at novels. Terry preferred to do less tedious work, and stuck to short stories and poems, of all varieties. He recently self published a book of his writings and poetry. “Writings of a Scatterbrain”; which can be found on Bookemon.com

Bay Area Book Festival
 Saturday and Sunday
 April 28 – 29, 2018
 Downtown Berkeley, California

The NorCal Board has provided a booth at which CWC members are invited to volunteer to inform the public about the California Writers Club and to invite prospective writers to join a Club near them which supports writers in California.

We need volunteers to work the booth in the following WHITE FIELD shifts:

	SET UP 10AM-NOON	NOON – 2PM	2 PM – 4PM	4PM – 6PM
SATURDAY ONE				
SATURDAY TWO				
SATURDAY THREE				
	NOON – 2	2 PM – 4PM	4PM – 6PM	BREAK DOWN 6 PM – 7 PM
SUNDAY ONE				
SUNDAY TWO				
SUNDAY THREE				

A total of 14 volunteer would be great. Additional volunteers can be used. If anyone wants to take two contiguous or non-contiguous shifts, that is also fine.

Remember, the primary purpose of our appearance is to represent the Club to the public. In the past we have also been allowed to display and talk about our books as a SECONDARY presentation. Exhibitors off duty can attend any of the open-to-the-public presentations and any paid-admission presentations they have purchased (please see <https://www.baybookfest.org/> for the festival schedule).

The Festival tells us, “Tens of thousands of people of all ages attend the festival. According to a 2016 study led by UC Berkeley’s Haas School of Business, festival-goers come not only from the East Bay but from San Francisco, Marin, the South Bay, and elsewhere in the state and nation. They tend to be highly educated and have disposable income. Nearly 46% of attendees cited “to shop for books and other items” as their top reason for visiting.” Ergo, members of Berkeley, Mt. Diablo, Tri-Valley, SF Peninsula, Marin, South Bay and Fremont branches might be most interested.

Please notify your membership of this opportunity to serve the Club, to involve themselves in a great literary event, possibly sell their own books and promote their own careers as writers. They should contact tim_jollymore@yahoo.com as soon as possible to arrange an appropriate shift at our booth.

Thank you, Carole Bumpus, NorCal Group Chair, California Writers Club



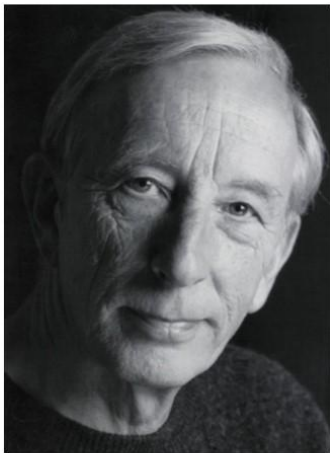
Fremont Area Writers

The Centennial Branch
"Writers Helping Writers"



Celebrate National Poetry Month

Note: New/Old Location—See below



April is National Poetry Month and Fremont Area Writers is celebrating by hosting poet and puzzle master Emmanuel Williams at its April 28th meeting.

Williams is a self described "poet, novelist, punster, pianist, lamp-maker, and riddler... (and) indefatigable defender of the right brain." With 50 years of

teaching experience and 13 books, he's a man who has enjoyed many experiments with both language and life. He says "I like to get people doing things they never thought they'd do."

Longtime FAW member and Ohlone College professor Anthony Pino will facilitate what promises to be an afternoon full of insight and humor.

Writers and Poets Open Mic!

When: 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Monday, April 23rd

Where:
Suju's Coffee and Tea
3602 Thornton Ave.
Fremont

Emmanuel Williams
Saturday, April 28th 2-4 p.m.
42 Silicon Valley
(formerly DeVry University)
6600 Dumbarton Circle
Fremont, CA 94555

Fremont Area Writers is a branch of the
1,800-member California Writers Club.

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FREMONT AREA WRITERS

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Tony Pino, Open Mic.



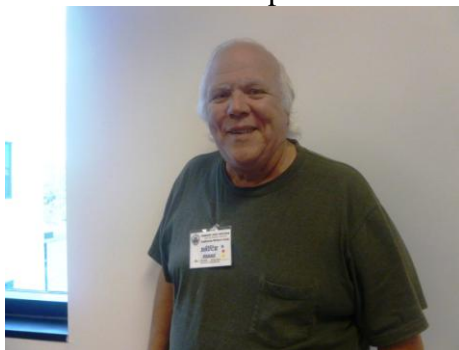
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Exchange



Jan Small, Book Signing



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**JACK LONDON AWARDEES
FREMONT AREA WRITERS**

2009 Robert Garfinkle
2011 Myrla Raymundo
2013 Carol Hall
2015 Art Carey
2017 Shirley Ferrante

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Jan Small

CALENDAR

BOARD MEETING – Fourth Saturday
of the month 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm – 42
Silicon Valley, 6600 Dumbarton Circle,
Fremont.

OPEN MIC – Fourth Monday of the
month
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Suju's Coffee
Meeting Room, 3602 Thornton Ave,
Fremont

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REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING
– Fourth Saturday of the month, 2:00 pm
-4:00 pm, – 42 Silicon Valley, 6600
Dumbarton Circle, Fremont.



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Ink Spots Newsletter

This Editor welcomes you to our
April 2018 issue of the Ink Spots. It
contains the latest FAW news and
tidbits, poems, prose, essays and articles
written by our members. It also contains
news from other clubs in the California
Writers Club.

Ink Spots is issued monthly and
is distributed to FAW members at the
club general meeting every month. It is
also emailed to those with email
addresses. It is also emailed to the
different clubs of the California Writers
Club.

Ink Spots welcomes you to write
articles and submit them to this Editor at
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FAWS WRITERS CORNER



Easter on April Fool's Day By Terry Tosh

I rushed down the stairs to the waiting cab. How did I end up with this task?
I never volunteered for it, but somehow I was suddenly in charge of the reception for a wedding that was taking place this very afternoon!

I didn't even have my car, as it had been confiscated by my bff, who had decided it was a perfect time to get 90000 mile service inspection done, and had dropped it off for early bird service at the dealership.

Well, "ya gotta do what ya gotta do", right? A quick cab ride to 7-11 to grab a variety of snacks and drinks. Then, a stop at Taco Bell to pick up a couple of family-sized meal deals. That should do the trick.

I rush up to the reception hall of our little church building, barely able to carry all of the bags while juggling the keys into position in the lock, managing to slip my foot into the slight opening of the door, as I stagger into the darkness, when suddenly the lights flash on and I'm temporarily blinded as the congregation shouts a startling "April Fools"!!

Why did it have to fall on Sunday this year?

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