

WRITER'S INK

November 2006

The Writer's Workshop of Bloomington

NOV. MEETINGS

All meetings are held at the Bloomington Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, Bloomington, IL 60108, (630) 529-3120.

SATURDAY MEETING

November 11, at 9 a.m., in lower level Meeting Room B— **TOPIC:** *You're a celebrity and are able to make demands on what must be provided in your dressing room (Jennifer Lopez insists on white couches). What are your top five demands and why?* Sign in and be ready to begin critique by **9:15 a.m.** Everyone arriving after 9:15 a.m.—with something for critique—should sign in on the bottom of the sheet. Their pieces will be critiqued if time allows. Remember that manuscripts, your own or on topic, are limited to 2 pages. Format rules are minimum 11-pt. font and double-spaced with one-inch margins on top, bottom and sides.

TUESDAY MEETING

November 21, 7 p.m. in lower level **Meeting Room B**. This meeting is less structured to facilitate critique of longer manuscripts than those covered at the Saturday meetings.

PROOFREADING

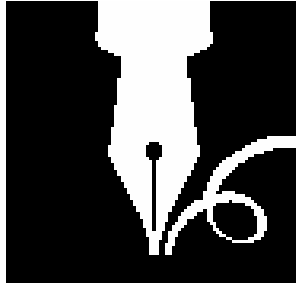
Proofreading is primarily about searching your own writing for errors, both grammatical and typographical, before submitting it for critique. The following is a resource to help you find and fix common errors.

owl.english.purdue.edu/

(Type "proofreading" in search box.)

If you have questions about anything, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

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COLUMN TWO

A portion of *Column Two* is reserved for brief announcements and special information members wish to share with others. E-mail either or both to Adeline at akd2820@comcast.net.

Calendar 2007

Contributor copies will be distributed at the library's Holiday Open House on **November 28th**
SEE YOU THERE!

STILL TIME TO ENTER

The **7th Annual *Writer's Digest* Short Short Story Competition** is accepting entries! Say they are looking for "fiction that's bold, brilliant but brief," 1,500 words or less. The deadline is **December 1, 2006**.

The Grand-Prize winner will receive \$3,000

GO TO:

<http://www.writersdigest.com/contests/shortshort/>

PLEASE REMEMBER

THE USUAL 4TH WEDNESDAY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST BECAUSE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.