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## APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER

### *April Meeting*

ABC-Books Inc. will have a meeting on Wednesday, April 18th at the Fruitville Library from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

### *Member News*

Our Facebook page ABC-Books Inc was created by Jeanelle Cooley Jeanelle is DL Havlin's wife and girl Friday. DL has spoken to our ABC group numerous times, is the award-winning author of 13 books, is signed up with The Seymour Agency, who has him writing several more books, and of course, he's also actively marketing his books. Our sincere thanks to the busy couple for taking time from their working schedule to contribute to ABC. Please visit the page and join the group. Click here to view the page: [ABC-Books Facebook page.](#)

Member *Kevin Kubens* Author of *Terror's Sword* will be speaking at the *Island Bookshop* in Venice on Saturday April 29th at 5:30 PM. Island Bookshop is located on 206 Miami Ave. West in Venice, Florida.

### *Venice Book Fair*

Here are some photos from the Venice Book Fair



Author Lucy Tobias



Author Susan Klaus

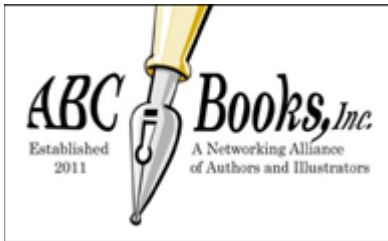


Author Clarissa Thomassin



Author René Fletcher and Kim Cool





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### *From the Editor*

Dear Member: If you have news or information you'd like to share with members, please click the following link to send the information via eMail: [doug@dougsahlin.com](mailto:doug@dougsahlin.com)

### *Writer Resources*

**WRITING CONTESTS:** Winning a contest is a great way to get recognition and promote your book.

Reedsy has a list of competitions for all genres

<https://blog.reedsy.com/writing-contests>

**REEDSY SHORT STORY WRITING PROMPTS:** <https://blog.reedsy.com/creative-writing-prompts/>

**Reedsy Resource List:** Reedsy offers an authoritative list of resources for beginning and experienced authors. <https://blog.reedsy.com/writing-publishing-resources/>

**KINDLEPRENEUR:** Dave Chesson's website is chock full of resources for authors.

<https://kindlepreneur.com>

**JANE FRIEDMAN'S HOT SHEET:** Jane Friedman's HotSheet offers a plethora of useful information.

<https://hotsheetpub.com>

**THE CREATIVE PENN:** Author Joanna Penn's Blog features useful articles that are published on a regular basis. <https://www.thecreativepenn.com/blog/>

**PRO WRITING AID:** Software you use to check your writing. The program is handy because it lets you check your work for the genre in which you write. your specific genre. <https://prowritingaid.com/Premium>

**GRAMMARLY:** Another application you can use to check your writing. <https://www.grammarly.com>

**SCRIVENEER:** An application you use to write your novel and compile it to a specific format such as EPUB or Kindle's MOBI. On this website, you'll also find a handy mind-mapping application called Scapple.

<https://www.literatureandlatte.com/scrivener/overview>

**WRITERS HELPING WRITERS:** On this page you'll find useful information about the business of writing.

<https://writershelpingwriters.net/the-business-of-writing/>

**GOODREADS:** Goodreads is a terrific resource for readers and for authors. Published authors can set up an author page which can be monitored from the Author Dashboard, which enables manage your books, set up giveaways and much more. The following link is an example of an Author Profile.

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