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## Greetings FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear FAW Members,

Our first gathering was such a great success thanks to you, your guests and of course, the talents of Barbara Rinella. It was a joy to glance around the room and see everyone so pleasantly engaged in her presentation. She is always welcome at FAW. I was also pleased that Sharon Cooper won the book prize as she is from one of our sustaining clubs.

We appreciate and offer our thanks as we recognize the four sustaining clubs this month. Their support of FAW is part of what maintains and contributes to the ongoing success of this organization.

Our new Program Chair, Shirley Baugher, has a wonderful year of programs planned for us that she entitles, "A Homage to Chicago." See the complete list of programs listed in the new yearbook on pages 5 and 6.

The October 10<sup>th</sup> presentation will include the many uses of social media, a term we all hear a lot of these days. Rachel Taylor will get us involved in her take of the online community.

See you on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Bring a guest and enjoy the benefits of the FAW community.

Corene Anderson  
President

## October Program

# The World of Social Media

October 10, 2012

Increasingly, we live in a world dominated by social media. Many people document the days of their lives on Facebook. Others send out thousands of "tweets" on happenings seconds after they have occurred. Blogs give us information on every conceivable subject. Movies are being made for viewing on YouTube. Broadcast networks exhort us to follow them on their websites and Facebook. E-books are outselling print copies. How do we navigate our way through the mass of information disseminated through social media?

**Rachel Taylor**, founder and president of the social media marketing agency Convometrics will show how to access and use the various social media elements and will answer questions on how they can work for you.

- Shirley Baugher  
Program Chair

## Welcome New members

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### **Nancy Chaloupka 2006 -2012**

Although Nancy was a member just a few years, she joined to serve on the Literary Committee and actively participated on this committee until her illness. She was a prolific reader and read more books than anyone else on the committee. She was very discerning and was able to discuss the nominations with a critical eye. She had a wonderful laugh and a great sense of humor. Even when she was unable to attend committee meetings, she would "phone in" her book reports and views. She will be missed!

## Sustaining Clubs Recognition

Every October we honor our Sustaining Clubs at the monthly meeting. This year is no exception. During the meeting we give special recognition to the four clubs for their continued to support and contributions to Friends of American Writers. Please pass a very warm invitation on to your club's entire membership. While we love to have them at any of our meetings, this one should be particularly mentioned.

The Sustaining Clubs to be honored this year are:

The Flossmoor Book Club  
The Ogden Dunes Book Club  
The Renaissance Art Club  
The Women's Reading Club of Riverside

- Roberta Schaffner  
Sustaining Clubs Chair



## LITERARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Readers for the Adult Literary Awards Committee are needed. FAW members who are willing to read and evaluate literature are asked to sign up. Why join?

- Meet new FAW friends
- Spend time talking about books
- Read many interesting and unusual new titles
- Help the career (and finances) of emerging authors

The Adult Literary Awards Committee usually meets at 10 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month from September through February at the Fortnightly of Chicago.

Interested? Please contact Roberta Gates at 708-447-8471 or robmicgates73@gmail.com.

## 2012/13 yearbooks

The 2012/13 yearbooks were distributed at the September luncheon. If you missed last month's meeting, pick one up at the October luncheon. Those not attending either month will receive a copy in the mail.

Once you receive your copy, please flip to your name, address, telephone number and email to verify the information. If there is a mistake, please notify Pat Adelberg at 847-588-0911. We will list all corrections in upcoming newsletters.

## Permanent reservations

If you plan to attend the luncheon meetings regularly, you might consider a Permanent Reservation. Anyone with a Permanent Reservation is automatically counted in the monthly tally of luncheon reservations – you do not have to phone the Luncheon/ Social Committee unless you cannot attend and wish to cancel your reservation.

However, on this plan if you do not notify the Committee when you don't attend a meeting, you are obligated to pay for the missed meal. If you are interested in this plan, call Pat Adelberg at 847-588-0911.

### october LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, oct. 10 at NOON

\$35 PER PERSON

The fortnightly club of Chicago  
120 Bellevue Place, Chicago, IL

To make reservations, call either

**Pat Adelberg at 847-588-0911 or Lorraine Campione at 773-275-5118**

Sorry, no emails will be accepted. Vegetarian meals may be requested at the time you make your reservation.

#### REMEMBER:

- **Reservations (and cancellations) are due before 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>.**
- Pay by check (\$35) payable to FAW at the door.
- \$15 parking is available two doors west of the Fortnightly at 100 East Bellevue Place.
- The seating arrangements in the room will be round tables seating eight people. If you wish to sit with your friends and/or guests, please arrive early.
- Complimentary coffee and tea service are available in the parlor prior to the lunch.
- If you make a reservation but cannot come, you must call to cancel. Otherwise you will be charged the \$35. If this happens, send your check to Eileen McNulty, 4450 North Kostner, Chicago, IL 60630-4102.



## Building Baby's First Library

*Parenting Magazine* recently featured a list of classic picture books that are winners among babies and preschool age children. Here are the top ten (in the order presented). Great gifts, they are readily available at local bookstores in hardcover and paper. Chosen by Melanie Monroe Rosen.

### ***CORDUROY*** by Don Freeman

A funny, timeless story of a slightly shabby teddy bear in need of a home (and a button for his overalls). He finds both, and a friend, when a little girl named Lisa uses her savings to buy him at the local department store.

### ***THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR*** by Eric Carle

Follow the development of a newborn caterpillar on his trail through a multitude of snacks into his transformation into a butterfly. Little fingers will enjoy poking the holes the caterpillar leaves behind as he munches his way through the story.

### ***MY VERY FIRST MOTHER GOOSE*** edited by Iona Opie

Cheerful illustrations featuring stylized animal characters accompany more than 60 nursery rhymes both familiar and lesser-known, and help to introduce young listeners to the pleasures of sing-song language.

### ***CLOSE YOUR EYES*** by Kate Banks

A mother tiger encourages her restless cub to settle down to sleep by describing the dreams he may have, reassuring him that she'll be there when he wakes.

### ***IS YOUR MAMA A LLAMA?*** by Deborah Guarino

Simple, rhyming stanzas and bright, silly illustrations carry readers through Lloyd the Llama's quizzing of his friends about their mamas. When his buddies (including a bat, a seal, a duckling, and a calf) give Lloyd clues about their moms, he has to guess what kind of animal they are.

### ***GOODNIGHT MOON*** by Margaret Wise Brown

You know you're a parent when you can recite this iconic book by heart. The poetic story follows a little rabbit preparing for bed as he says goodnight to everything in his room, and the world outside his window.

### ***FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS JUMPING ON THE BED*** by Eileen Christelow

Extending the well-known song, this picture book features five little monkeys preparing for bed, as they bathe, put on their pajamas, brush their teeth, and then jump on the bed, falling off one-by-one.

### ***GUESS HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU*** by Sam McBratney

A young bunny and his dad sweetly try to one-up each other with how big their love for the other is in this sweet tale, illustrated with gorgeous watercolors.

### ***BUSY PENGUINS*** by John Schindel

In this photographic board book, simple rhyming word pairs (penguins splashing/penguins dashing, penguins drooping/penguins pooping) introduce the daily life of penguins.

### ***MORE MORE MORE, SAID THE BABY: 3 LOVE STORIES*** by Vera B. Williams

Told in an engaging musical rhythm, the book introduces readers to multiracial and multigenerational stories about three toddlers and their caregivers.