

# Surfwriters Newsletter March 2005

The next Surfwriters meeting will be held Friday, March 18 at the Palos Verdes Art Center. The business meeting will begin promptly at 10 a.m., program begins at 11 a.m.

We are pleased to welcome Miura Advertising and Publishing company founder Lili Miura and her new partner Stephen Smoke, who together have formed the MS Custom Books Publishing Company.

They will speak about the formulation and goals of their new endeavor as well as other successes throughout their creative writing careers. Miura publishes the familiar Palos Verdes Style magazine while Smoke has written 17 novels, is a screenwriter and musician and offers the public his creative works online. He has a mystery novel in the works with the intriguing title, "Prince of Palos Verdes."



*We be wearin'-o-the green in honor of St. Paddy's Day. So don't forget to pull on your best garb and wee trinket finery.*

## ***POETRY and MUSIC in the GALLERY***

In celebration of National Poetry Surfwriters will hold its annual **Poetry and** from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Malaga Cove Library. Mer Consort will provide background music poetry lovers from the community recite holding a two-day book sale that runs from Organizers say many of the books being sold and budding writers.



Month and National Library Week, the **Music in the Gallery** on Friday, April 16, Returning Renaissance aficionados, La while Surfwriter members and other original works. The library is also 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. will hold special interest to experienced



**Mary Vandever's** delightful, 180-page book (by Mary Blei) "Inventions of an Enigmatic Kind" is out in print! Mary will bring some copies to the March meeting. "Inventions" is also available on Amazon.com.

During the February meeting all present voted for font favorites for our forthcoming stationary and letterhead collection. **Anne Wittels** is going to put fonts on a floppy disk so we can perhaps bypass Kinko's and make our own stationary. Also, someone broached the subject that a fellow named **David** has offered to set up a Website for the Surfwriters. Please be sure to give him a warm welcome if he attends the next meeting.

**Marilyn Litvak** said members would like to subscribe to Orange Coast Magazine for ourselves and for the Malaga Cove Library. The discount of \$6 for 12 glossy issues for nonprofit organizations fits our budget nicely. Be sure to catch Page 126 in the March issue. You might see someone's byline you know. 😊

Members are also talking about putting together an anthology of fiction works. Please think about what you might like to share in print.

Check out the Surfwriters Book Corner in the Palos Verdes Gallery while strolling around the Avenues.

**Wanda Smith** and **Maria Ruiz** have been doing a lot of open mike poetry reading at Barnes and Nobel in Torrance the last Friday of the month. Audiences young and old appreciated.

Tip of the month: Using words as words



This idea is best illustrated by using an example: In this sentence, *telephone* is used solely as a word rather than as the means to representing the concept normally associated with the word. If italics are available, a word used as a word should be italicized.

## **DO IT! WRITE NOW!**

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