

SURFWRITERS NEWSLETTER

October 2012



Our next meeting takes place
Friday, October 26 from 10:00a.m.-noon
in the Community Room of the Malaga Cove Library,
2400 Via Campesina, Palos Verdes Estates 90274.

~ 10:00a.m. ~

Business Reports & Upcoming Projects

We'll continue to discuss upcoming projects including plans for writing and producing our own play, with members presenting their own outlines, scenes, and general suggestions on the 26th.

~ 11:00 a.m. ~

Guest Speaker Bungy Hedley will delight us with tales from, "*VIEW FROM THE TOP OF THE MAST*", the "...true story of the adventures of a young gal who broke the stereotyped mold of the all male world in the late 1940s and 50s by crewing on sailboats from California to Hawaii, Tahiti, and points beyond. Bungy bought her first sailboat by weaving coconut palm hats at luaus." Can't wait to hear about her exciting life!

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~~ Recent Events ~~

October already has been a busy month! Surfwriters participated in the Palos Verdes Library's first Local Author Faire on Saturday, October 6, from 2-5 pm at the Peninsula Center Library. (See photos on pages 3-4.) Thanks to the efforts of Palos Verdes Library District staff, the Author Faire was a huge success, with nearly forty titles (and dozens of authors!) dispersed throughout the main floor in three categories—Story Time, Literary Luminaries, and Roads Traveled—with a moderator for each group/panel. Authors were allotted 10 minutes to read from and discuss their work, and Surfwriters were well represented in two of the three groups. Marilyn Litvak, Maria Ruiz, KC Johnson, Kendel Cornwell, Beth Eichel and Frances Roberts read prose and poetry from *The Writing Game*. Jean Stephenson, Jean Alden Cohoe, Mary Jo Hazard, and Cat Spydell read from their work. Surfwriter Connie Bessman-Natt also enjoyed the presentations, sharing her ideas with other authors.

Great news for Surfwriters and others! A special collection at the Peninsula Library will feature all the books that were showcased at the Local Author Faire.

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~~Recent Writings Project~~

President Marilyn Litvak reports that eight authors submitted material by the October 8 deadline for the Recent Writings project. View their work at the Surfwriters website <http://www.palosverdes.com/surfwriters/> Authors may e-mail submissions to mltrvlarng@hotmail.com prior to the next quarterly deadline (January 2013).

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~~Upcoming Events~~

Hollywood comes to the South Bay! Here's an opportunity to enjoy local theater! See "The Gin Game", an award-winning play starring two of our actor-friends, Jim Mueller and Donna Barlow at the Second Story Theater, 710 Pier Avenue, Hermosa Beach, CA (Check out this fabulous website where you can see Donna, Jim—and Tony!) <http://the-gin-game-la.com/>

"First staged in Los Angeles in 1976, "The Gin Game" went on to achieve fame, fortune and many awards on Broadway. Now, in the first LA production in more than 10 years, this timeless exploration of the clash of human wills is directed by award-winning Los Angeles director, Tony Torrisi and stars two of LA's favorite actors, Jim Mueller and Donna Barlow.

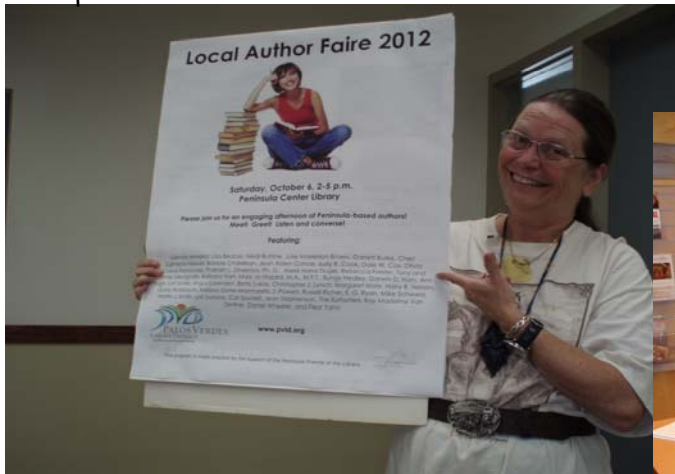
The NY Times called 'The Gin Game', '...psychological warfare over a deck of cards.' The characters, Weller Martin and Fonsia Dorsey, battle their own psyches as well as each other. The card game provides the perfect battlefield, and the cards, the perfect weapons.

Performances will take place Oct 27 (8PM), Oct 28 (2PM), Nov 3 (8PM), Nov 4 (2PM).

Tickets are available online or at the door. Price: \$18 Phone: (310) 379-9383
http://events.dailynews.com/hermosa_beach_ca/events/show/284001085-the-gin-game#

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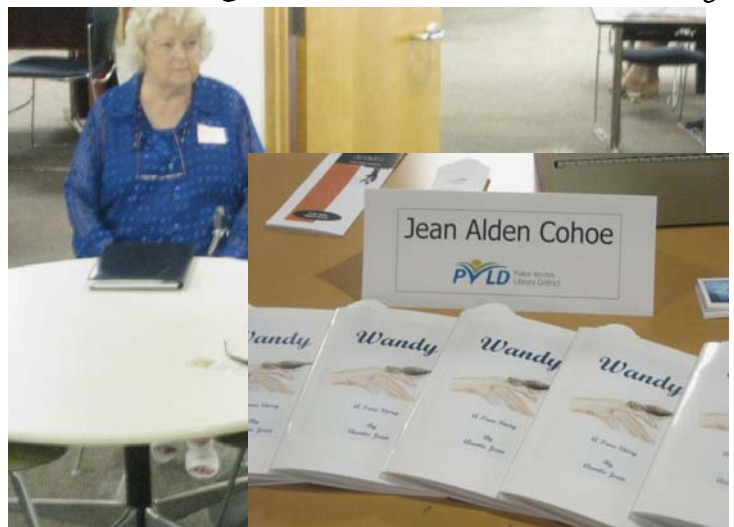


Above Left: Kendel Cody Cornwell displays Author Faire Poster
Above Right: Frances Roberts, KC Johnson, Maria Ruiz and Kendel Cody Cornwell at Surfwriters table
Left: President Marilyn Litvak with the group at Surfwriters table

Below left: Jean Stephenson with *Whimsicans*



Below right: Jean Alden Cohoe with *Wandy*



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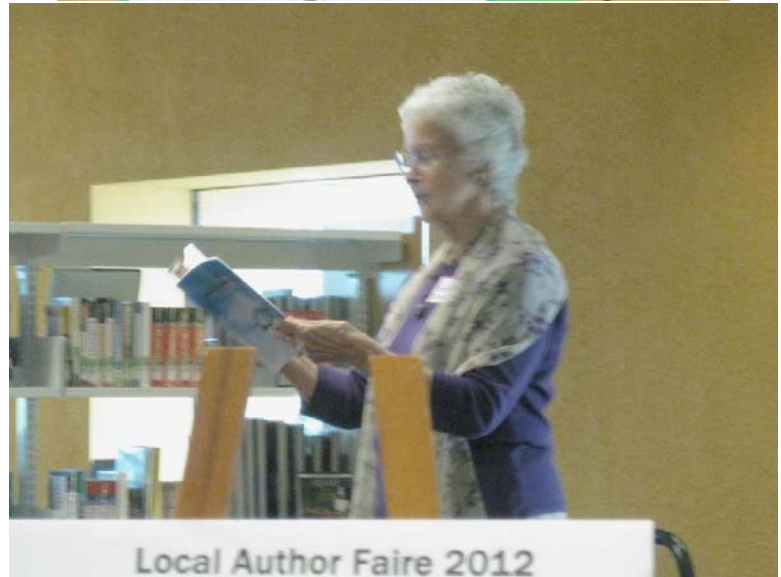
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Above Left: Mary Jo Hazard with
The Peacocks of Palos Verdes

Above Right: Cat Spydell with
*The Time Traveler's Apprentice at
Hollywood High*

Right: Frances Roberts reads from the
Surfwriters anthology, *The Writing Game*



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