DKG Writing Group Agenda for September 24

*“The best time for planning a book is while you’re doing the dishes.” Agatha Christie*

Welcome to all our new members. It is exciting to see so many with a desire to write.  The recipe stories shared at the last meeting were beautiful.

**Schedule**1:00 - 1:40 – Sharing (writing theme and other writings)  
                1:40 – 1:55 –Writing Topic Discussion (introducing yourself)  
                1:55 – 2:00 – Wrap up and announcements  
                2:00 – Debbie will leave the meeting open for visiting  
Reminder: Our group has grown, and everyone needs an opportunity to participate. When the meeting starts, we will ask members to mute themselves. For sharing and commenting, use your mute and unmute.

**Sharing:**  
\*If you have a piece to share, write share in the Chat Box.  
\*You can share on the suggested theme or any writing you are working on.  
\*We ask you to limit your sharing to two pages.   
\* The member who shares can ask for comments, suggestions, or specific help.   
\* School Rules—raise your hand to comment. Debbie and I will search for raised hands. Our members have great ideas and suggestions.

**Suggested writing theme for September 24th:**Write alist of (and briefly explain) Mental Images from My Childhood.

**Topic:**  Since we have so many new attendees, we will use the topic discussion time to get acquainted. Tell about yourself—home state, occupation, what you are writing, and your writing experience. Try to keep it to about two minutes

**Plans for the October 8th meeting:**  
Continue topic: ***I wrote it; now what?***A time to ask questions or share suggestions on publishing or preserving your writings. Have your ideas and questions about the topic to share and ask. We will continue this topic for the month of October. Have a pencil and paper to take notes.

Choose Writing theme: A suggestion is to write a short story about one of your childhood mental images.  What are your suggestions for writing themes and topics for discussion?    
Email me at [marje.perkins@gmail.com](mailto:marje.perkins@gmail.com)

See you on the 24th, Marje Smith Perkins

**Notes from the September 10th Meeting.**  
One-time/non-exclusive rights of publication and distribution.  
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ISBN number  
Self-publishing and publishing through a publishing company  
Submit stories/poetry to DKG Gallery  
Personal books:  Costco, Walgreens, Shutterfly/ print pages and take to office store to have it bound.

Meeting dates to put on your calendar: Sept. 24, Oct. 8 & 22, Nov. 5 & 19, Dec. 3 & 17. December 31?

REFRIGERATOR MASHED POTATOES

Peggy Scott

5 lbs. potatoes, peeled

6 oz. cream cheese (brick)

1 C. sour cream

2 tsp. onion salt

1 tsp. salt

¼ tsp. pepper

2 Tbsp. butter

Cook potatoes in water. Drain. Mash and add above ingredients. Beat. Cool.

Cover and place in refrigerator. To heat place desired amount in a

greased casserole, dot with butter and bake at 350 F. for about 30 min.

*As I indicated during our group time, I appreciate this recipe as it saves me from mashing potatoes at the last minute while trying to prepare a large family meal.  I also have learned to package and freeze the mashed potatoes into two-people servings.  I use them for meals that just my husband and I are enjoying.*

*The above recipe is how it was written and used in the 1960’s.  Since that time, I have learned to reheat the mashed potatoes in the microwave.*