## **About Peninsula Writers**

Founded in 1984, Peninsula Writers (PW) is a support group for writers. PW serves about 100 members, most of whom reside in Michigan. All writers—no matter their occupation or level of writing—are welcome to join us in supporting and nourishing our own and other's writing.

- ➤ Are you looking for a group of people who share your passion for writing?
- ➤ Are you looking for a support group for your writing?
- ➤ Do you need a network of people with whom to exchange ideas?
- > Would you like new opportunities for writing experiences?
- > Would you like a small writing group with which to share and discuss writing?
- > Would you like to learn how PW's small response groups can help advance a writer's work?

### Then Peninsula Writers is the group for you!

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of Peninsula Writers is to associate for the benefit of all writers seeking to improve their own work and willing to help others improve theirs in a supportive environment that values the writing process, individual discovery and growth.

## Our Objectives are:

- > To provide a support group for writers.
- > To provide writing opportunities
- > To help advance the writer's journey.

# **Benefits of Membership**

Visit our website www.peninsulawriters.org for additional information.

- Week-long Glen Lake Conference-Retreat, on Glen Lake, near Traverse City. The week affords the opportunity for writing, sharing, helpful suggestions, small group process, camaraderie, beautiful sights, rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation as well as a presentation by a professional writer. Three graduate credits from Aquinas College are also available.
- Weekend Winter Conference-Retreat. The long weekend at the Kettunen Center near Cadillac features lots of writing time, camaraderie and a break for those suffering cabin fever. One Aquinas graduate credit is available.
- ➤ One-day "Flings." Alternating between Grand Rapids and the Lansing area, the Spring Fling and Fall Fling are short (2-hour) events developed to examine various aspects of writing, featuring speakers and demonstrations, and covering such topics as poetry, memoir, or How to Form and Maintain a Small Writing Group. Free and open to members and non-members alike.
- > Small writing groups and small writing group establishment. PW helps support writers, their writing, and the writing process through small groups and will help members who seek to establish new small groups. PW's unique small response groups provide support for the writer and the writing. Group members are generally linked through a central geographical location.
- Annual member anthology. A publication of members' work from the previous year, including fiction, nonfiction, memoir, poetry.
- **PW News:** The bi-monthly Peninsula Writers newsletter

### Questions:

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## **PW Membership Benefits**

- Participation in all PW annual conferences, including the week-long Summer Retreat,\* long-weekend Winter Retreat,\* and all other conferences and events.
- Opportunity to earn graduate credit from Aquinas College for conference participation.
- Participation in small writing groups (including help establishing a new group if desired).
- Publication and a copy of the annual PW Anthology. Members' work is showcased in this publication.
- Access to the PW NEWS.
- Participation in the PW Community electronic mailing list, including the PW News newsletter and the Art-a-Day event on Facebook.
- Access to the Members' Only page of the PW website www.peninsulawriters.org
- The option of promoting your blog, website, books and other creative works on the PW Website LINKS page.
- The ability to make your voice heard through participation in member surveys and event evaluations.
- Opportunities to serve on committees, conference planning and organization teams, and to take on leadership roles on the PW Board of Directors.
- Voting rights in PW elections.
- Opportunities to apply for scholarships to help defray cost of attending PW conferences (retreats), and even membership fees.

Annual membership dues are \$50 To join Peninsula Writers, complete membership form and mail with check to:

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<sup>\*</sup>Annual conference fee required