

San Diego Writers and Editors Guild

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Announcement of San Diego Writers and Editors Guild Day Marked by Anthology Release

The San Diego City Council honored the San Diego Writers and Editors Guild, naming a day for them to coincide with the release of their ninth anthology

San Diego, CA: The San Diego City Council has declared October 26 to be San Diego Writers and Editors Guild Day. They conferred the honor in recognition of the Guild's contribution to the arts in San Diego.

The announcement coincides with the presale of the Guild's ninth anthology of short stories, titled *Strange Happenings*. The book features outstanding works by aspiring and established local writers, most notably the perennially witty Richard Lederer, best known for his puns, oxymorons, and anagrams.

According to Guild president Mardie Schroeder, "the members are delighted to have received this recognition from the City of San Diego. It is appropriate to release the new anthology on a day that celebrates San Diego's writers and editors, because it represents the best of the local writing community. The anthology is the pride of our guild, and it provides a place for talented but undiscovered authors to publish for the first time. Many of the writers featured over the years have built remarkable careers from their start in the anthology."

Anthology editor, Marcia Buompensiero commented that the anthology is sometimes hilarious, and sometimes deeply introspective. "Readers can expect a surprising range of topics within the *Strange Happenings* theme. While many of the pieces draw inspiration from life on the California coast, some are about people and places as far afield as South Africa."

Readers can preorder the Guilded Pen anthology at <u>sdwritersguild.org</u> or buy a digital or print copy on Amazon on October 25, 2020.

With the tenth anniversary edition of the anthology slated for release in the summer of 2021, the Guild committee are calling on writers of all ages to join, become involved, and submit their work when the call for submissions goes out this winter.

About the San Diego Writers and Editors Guild: The SDWEG, founded in 1978 by Rhoda Riddell, is the oldest Guild of its kind in San Diego County. Today, after 41 years, the SDWEG continues its leadership role in the local writing arts. Members enjoy meetings throughout the year, marketing support, and ongoing seminars and workshops that assist in the development of writing skills and career advancement.