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### **SUMMARY: WAYNE COLLEGE'S FIFTH WRITERS WORKSHOP PLANNED FOR APRIL 12**

Orrville, Ohio, Feb. 1, 2008 – The fifth annual Writers Workshop will be held Saturday, April 12 at The University of Akron Wayne College. Poet Will Greenway will be the keynote speaker.

The workshop will include sessions about short story writing, culinary journalism, publishing, travel journaling, poetry writing and memoir writing.

The workshop runs from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and is open to anyone interested in writing. The \$30 registration fee covers the workshop, a continental breakfast and a light lunch.

The workshop allows writers and aspiring writers to meet published authors and to participate in two of the concurrent sessions, a panel discussion with the presenting authors, and the luncheon with Greenway.

Keynote speaker Greenway has won the Helen and Laura Krout Memorial Poetry Award, the Larry Levis Editors' Prize from Missouri Review, the Open Voice Poetry Award from The Writer's Voice, the state Street Press Chapbook Competition and an Academy of American Poets Prize. Greenway's ninth full-length collection *Everywhere at Once* is forthcoming from The University of Akron Press Poetry Series, which also published *Ascending Order*, winner of the 2004 Ohioana Poetry Book of the Year Award. Greenway is currently Distinguished Professor of English at Youngstown State University.

In addition to the keynote event, the following authors will present the sessions at the workshop:

Sarah Willis will present "The Short Story: Developing Character and Place." This workshop will cover the development and portrayal of character and place in short stories, including how one affects the other. There will be writing exercises and time for questions.

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Laura Taxel will present “Pen and Plate: Culinary Journalism.” She will share the story of her own career, talk about how she developed the skill for culinary journalism, and offer practical tips about finding, pitching and writing food stories for newspapers and magazines.

Amy Freels will lead a session, “Publishing 101,” that will cover the step-by-step process of getting published, including what to look for in a publisher and what publishers are looking for from writers. The nuts and bolts of the publication process also will be discussed.

Keynote speaker Greenway also will present “Poetry Writing,” a workshop designed to help participants get started with their poetry writing by writing a poem during the session.

The workshop will be held at Wayne College, 1901 Smucker Road in Orrville and is sponsored by Orrville Printing Company, Books in Stock – Used & Rare, Auntie Anne’s Soft Pretzels, College Hills Honda, Snyder Advertising Art & Design and Scott Murphy - Master Technician. For registration or general information about the workshop, call Sue Ackerman at 330-684-8985.

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