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SUMMARY: WRITERS WORKSHOP RETURNS TO WAYNE COLLEGE

Orrville, Ohio, March 20, 2007 – The University of Akron Wayne College is hosting its fourth annual Writers Workshop on Saturday, April 14. Romance author Dianne Castell will be the featured speaker.

The workshop will include sessions about poetry writing, romance writing, humor writing and nonfiction writing for publication.

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 Castell.

Keynote speaker Castell became hooked on Harlequin romance novels after her daughter showed her a novel that the girls in her eighth-grade class had been reading as a “supplement” to their sex education class. Castell soon began writing her own humorous, sexy stories set in small-town USA.

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

Deanna Adams will present “Writing About Real People, Places and Things.” This workshop will include where to find ideas and subjects, researching your topic and locating sources, piecing it all together and approaching an editor.

John Lorson will present “There’s Something Funny Going on Here!” which will show participants how to use the unusual people and events in their everyday lives to write humorous stories.

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

Brian Klems will lead a session, “What Agents and Editors Want,” in which he will discuss how agents and editors function, what they want out of authors and how to be a writer that they love.

Keynote speaker Castell will also present a session, “Plotting Both Ends to the Middle,” which provides a three-step approach to laying out a book.

The workshop will be held at Wayne College, 1901 Smucker Road in Orrville and is sponsored by The Daily Record and the Orrville Printing Company. For registration information or for general information about the workshop, call Dr. Susanna Horn at 330-684-8962.

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