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Andrew College announces Author Series

CUTHBERT, GA – The Randolph Writer’s Group will host the Andrew College Author series on four separate Mondays from 12 - 1 p.m. in the Private Dining Room of the Turner Dining Hall on the campus of Andrew College in Cuthbert, Ga.

All those in Randolph and surrounding areas are invited to attend. Four different authors from among Andrew College’s own faculty will speak on their respective books and their experiences in writing and publishing.

The first event of the series will be **Monday, September 10**, and will feature **Professor Amanda Knight** who will discuss her journey to writing a textbook. She will share information about her publishing experience, including her contract and publisher. Her textbook, entitled *Punctuation Decoded*, teaches students how to compose better, more complex sentences and to punctuate those sentences correctly. As an added benefit, by studying her method, students also learn not to make major sentence construction errors, like run-on sentences and sentence fragments. It is actually a very simple concept: once students can identify clause structure and apply a few basic rules of punctuation, they are capable of creating complex sentences to express themselves confidently for the rest of their lives. Professor Knight developed this method after teaching for ten years at Terrell Academy in Dawson, Georgia, where the classes of 1989-1999 were her guinea pigs in developing her methodology. Many of those students are now confident writers and teachers themselves.

At the second installment of the Andrew College Author Series, **Monday, October 1**, **Professor Charles Roberts** will talk about writing an academic work. Producing a scholarly monograph can be an intimidating process, and Dr. Roberts will discuss some of the common problems that writers in the humanities and social sciences face in putting together a book. He will answer some big questions writers might expect, such as how to pick a topic and how to find a publisher, and some things that may be unexpected, like how to get permissions for pictures and whether you should make your own index. His talk will draw from his experience writing his first book, *The Farm Security Administration and Rural Rehabilitation in the South*, and his current research project on Alabama's congressional delegation and changing politics in the 1950s and 1960s.

The third event will be **Monday, October 22**, featuring **Professor David Hallman**, author of two novels and was the last winner of the Albany Herald’s short story contest. He will discuss the various aspects of creating and publishing a novel to include the inspiration and motivation process, research to make the novel realistic, editing, finding an agent, finding a publisher, marketing and the hurdles in bringing the novel to print.

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The final event will be **Monday, November 5**, when **Academic Dean Karan Pittman** will discuss writing histories, including the rewarding experience of researching a topic, documenting sources, and writing about real-life people. Pittman will discuss the importance of deciding on a publisher and formatting the manuscript in the context of her own experience, including first publishing with co-author, Dr. Lela B. Phillips, *The Lena Baker Story* through Wings Publishers, then taking a different route by using wwwcreatespace.com for *The History of Andrew College, 1854-2014* and *Susan Eberhart: The Girl at the End of the Rope*, which will be published in September 2018.

The Randolph Writer's Group is an open invitation organization welcoming anyone interested in writing to join. Meetings will be held on a monthly basis. Please contact Dr. Farrah R. Senn at farrahsenn@andrewcollege.edu for time and location or more information.

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