



A note from our president, Gina Nelson

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As we approach our Texas Two Step Conference, I want to recognize our board members and committee chairs who give of themselves and their writing time to help direct our chapter and keep her on course. Let's play a little game called Do You Know Your NT Board? See if you can match the board member/chair with their bit of trivia.

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| a. | Carolyn Williamson - Secretary | b. | Gina Nelson - President |
| c. | Clover Autrey - PRO | d. | Marty Tidwell – Texas Two Step |
| e. | Jean Brown - Communications | f. | Angi Platt – Great Expectations |
| g. | Jeannie Guzman - Membership | h. | Marsha West – President-Elect |
| i. | Michelle Welch - Web Site | j. | Nikki Duncan - BABS, Audio Librarian |
| k. | Kym Roberts - Programs | l. | Shelley Bradley - PAN |
| m. | Kim Quinton - Spotlights | n. | Chris Keniston - Treasurer |

- ___ I am a retired detective sergeant from the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department.
- ___ I was the youth director on the S. S. Veendam on Holland America Cruise Lines.
- ___ I performed at Casa Mañana as a chorus nun in Sound of Music with Betty Buckley.
- ___ I attended acting school on Broadway in New York City.
- ___ I am the mother of a beautiful daughter who plays professional football.
- ___ I once pulled my grandmother's teeth out (they were dentures).
- ___ As a reporter for the Wall Street Journal I once flew on the jet that was used by then-Vice President Dan Quayle.
- ___ I worked as a teacher in a federal prison; and one of my inmate "students" offered me a job. I said, 'no thanks.' He was a pimp.
- ___ I won first place in pairs skating at the Virginia Beach invitational in 1979, roller skating.
- ___ I was almost killed on the way to visit Graceland.
- ___ I placed in the Top 20 in Youth Nationals the last year I competed with my horse.
- ___ I listen to one song for each manuscript I write -- one song, and only one song until I'm finished.
- ___ I'm the drummer for my family's Rock Band/Guitar Hero band.
- ___ I spent a month in Kenya studying economic anthropology.

On a more serious note, I hope you'll take advantage of our speed pitching session during this month's meeting. It's a tried and true way to practice talking about your story in a supportive, friendly environment. Before you know it, you'll be ready to meet a publishing professional at our conference. Believe it or not, they're already looking forward to meeting you!

(Answers: k, n, h, b, d, i, e, a, g, c, j, f, l, m)