

Writers in Stuttgart Meeting: October 15, 2022

Meeting Time: 10:00 – 13:00

Meeting Place: Zoom

Chair: Barbara Gilchrist Feyl

Minutes: Barbara Gilchrist Feyl

Attending: Barbara, Jadi, Erica, Andrea, Katharine, Jim

Prompt: (provided by Barbara) Write a poem/story about how joy is an act of resistance.

Quotes from the prompt:

“...in the midst of illness, she was alive and in the midst of death her legacy continues...” -Jadi

“...I will not mourn things undone...” -Erica

“...for the child I am born on a nursery rhyme Wednesday...” -Katharine

“...as it wraps my body in wet, every pour wakes with pure joy...” -Jim

“...a mental excursion is better than no excursion...” -Andrea

“...shall we invite god inside to the church of us...” -Barbara

Critiques: Jadi - “Time to fold”; Erica – “Onomatopoeia”

Business:

#1

- NEAT invitation to submit pieces for the annual V-Day charity show
- Pieces themed toward woman empowerment
- Clare Derolemeare is directing
- Writers can either read themselves or have an actress read for them
- Work may be new or already written
- Submissions are asked to be in by the end of December
- Jadi will be the point-person for this event

#2

- January 9, 2023 reading at Dark Monday, (tentative based on COVID restrictions)
- Reading title/theme confirmed. - Life is a Poker Game: Raise, Call or Fold

#3

- Membership activation
- Concern expressed about the lack of engagement/attendance from other members and newly accepted members
- Jim volunteered to draft a general email to all members re obligations/attendance
- This emailed will be further discussed at the November meeting

Meeting ended at 12:49.

The next scheduled meeting is November 12, 2022