

## **About Writers Unlimited**

Writers Unlimited is a gathering of authors who bring their work for peer feedback. The group was founded in 1984 by Monika Rose and has published five Manzanita volumes and an additional three Journal volumes. With the formation of Manzanita Writers Press, a nonprofit literary publisher, in 2009, the Manzanita series and other books are now published by MWP, a member of the Calaveras Arts Council Literary League.

Writers Unlimited hosts manuscript critique sessions of works-in-progress by writer members every 2nd and 4th Monday. To join, you don't necessarily have to have a manuscript ready, but your input in the critique process is valued. Members work on their writing projects and receive advice, assistance, and encouragement by fellow writers. You must get on the list for review by emailing Monika first. Writers who are scheduled bring drafts that are ready to review and are in manuscript form (see below). We prefer no first drafts. Analytical and thoughtful readers and writers are welcome at our sessions.

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## **Protocol for Critiquing**

Usually three writers have manuscripts ready for review – Protocol: print 10 copies of a 10-page maximum manuscript section, double-spaced, paginated and titled, with word count and genre labeled, stapled. The writer either reads his/her own work or assigns a reader. Participants comment kindly and constructively in writing on the ms. and orally, to move the writer toward publication readiness.

## Flash Fiction

Writers Unlimited writers have been known to produce some interesting flash fiction masterpieces. The photograph below illustrates some of the hidden flash-in-the-pan talent of our writers. This photo is found in Glenn's book,



Tales Mark Twain Would Have Loved to Steal which can be purchase online at manzapress.com or amazon.com.