

Contributors' Notes

My name is **Ruth Albright**. I am from Marion, Ohio and my field of study is animal science. I plan to apply for graduate school to become a veterinarian.

Kortnie Brown: "I'm a small town girl from Mount Gilead. I am an Adviser on the Morrow County Junior Fair Board, and I am a Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts. I am a Social Work major."

My name is **Kyle A. Brown**. I was born and raised in Marion Ohio. I am currently a Psychology major at OSU Marion Campus, and I enjoy biking and spending time with my four children.

English major **Halley Buchwalter** just graduated from OSU

Brittany Coomes currently teaches at Marion Technical College as a Community Faculty member.

MeLynn Corwin: I chill with the Freaks and Geeks of this nation listening to Eminem's flow, while swapping stories about Buffy the Vampire Slayer's latest adventure. I understand The Perks of Being a Wallflower are the greatest when you wish to be a writer. Most importantly I've gone through my Growing Pains and contemplated my Wonder Years. If none of this tells you who I am then maybe you should call Dr. Who and CSI to help you read between the lines.

I am **Jherek Cummings**, an English major student at Ohio State University in Marion, Ohio. Writing poems and stories is a fun hobby for me along with learning how to play various musical instruments. My English studies is helping me become a better writer and this new knowledge will be useful when I create my poems, short stories, music, and film. School is cool and hard work and I am glad to have experienced all the studies at Ohio State University.

Kelcee Daniels: "I'm currently finishing up my degree in Business & Economics. I will be graduating in December 2013. I just married my wonderful husband, Ryan, in September. We have a beautiful puppy named Navi that we added to our family in October of 2012. I want to thank my family and friends for all of their love and support over the past year!"

Rosa Maria DelVecchio received her PhD from CWRU. She is an editor for *Cyberwit* in India and a staff member at CSU. Her poetry has appeared in many literary journals, and CR published her first short story in 1989. She is in the process of writing a beast epic series of YA novels.

Rachel L. Eblin-Dodds: In the same year that President Jimmy Carter was elected President of the United States of America, I was born to a high school biology teacher

who was, and still is, loved by many and a local, though brilliant and talented, thespian who could very well give Martha Stewart a run for her money in the creative and home making skills. Now, I have my own family with a wonderful husband, two children and two felines. I am an avid coffee drinker.

Brock Gates is a student at The Ohio State University.

Timothy Giles: "Creating somber, dream-state poetry and various fractions of fiction ever since the burning on the bridge. I do not claim to be a good singer, but if anyone wants to get together to play some good ol' guitar together, let me know, and we will jam. Or Nintendo. If anyone wants to play some good ol' Nintendo together, let me know."

Mariam Hellalat is currently a sophomore majoring in Biology/Pre-dental.

My name is **Denise Hoffman**, a returning student to O.S.U. Have had a wonderful time in poetry class, and have greatly enjoyed uncovering our collective unconscious with the rest of my class. Writing poetry has been a very compelling experience, it is an "uncovering" of some type.

Robert L. Johnson believes in a future teaming with alien life, galactic warfare, and the occasional light speed warp. In another universe Elves, Orcs, and Magic rule his every decision. He is in love with the written word, and hopes to tame her some day.

Roger Johnson: At 70, does not know what he's going to be when he grows up. Tried geologist, meteorologist, psychologist, teacher, military officer, college administrator, home health aide, and world traveler. Now, courtesy of OSU-M old people's program, aspiring to be novelist, using experiences to create imaginative worlds, with help from the Havasupai nation, classmates, instructors Stuart and Ben, and wife Judy. Rewarding endeavor, but much yet to learn.

M. McDonald Keith: I'm not a traditional student at Ohio State Marion. I recently retired from Franklin University and wanted to take some fiction writing courses to help me transition from teacher to full time writer. A University of Cincinnati and University of Toledo graduate, I was, am, and always will be an English Literature major, happily.

Taryn Korody is an OSUM English Dept. alum who can't find a job in the field she really wants because... well... frankly, the job market sucks for an English major. Now, this doesn't mean all you other English majors should switch to something boring, like science or engineering. English

is a beautiful thing that creates very passionate students. Just don't be surprised if you need to get a Masters degree to do something cool (and profitable) with your degree. Taryn's true passions lie in reading, writing, and correcting people's grammar everyday, as any good English major would say. She also plans to become a teacher before long (she can hear the audible groan from all the other E.M.s), which will be fantastic! Until then, wish her luck and she'll do the same for you!

Stuart Lishan teaches English at The Ohio State University. His poems and stories have appeared in a hundreds of literary journals, including *Kenyon Review*, *New England Review*, *Creative Nonfiction*, *Arts & Letters*, and *Brevity*. His book of poems, *Body Tapestries*, was awarded the Orphic Prize in Poetry and was published by Dream Horse Press in 2006.

The name is **Brittany Violet Long**. I am a senior who enjoys taking long walks through the woods, writing poetry and hula hooping. I should have graduated by now, but I simply just can't get myself to leave the magnificent and educational confines of The Ohio State University. For the time being, however, I excitedly plan to continue taking awesome English classes with Rad teachers like Stuart Lishan, while buying myself some extra time to decide what I really want to do with my life. (I'm pretty sure I won't be able to make a living off of hula hooping bare-footed in my backyard while thinking up sweet lines of poetry.)

Mandy Lewis Lucero: Tomorrow is today, and yesterday came to stay. I have defeated many days, and my past has gone away. I took snapshots of time stood still, to show the world my views. Some bright, some scary, some confusing, yet all showing a little piece of myself. Look closely and you might get a glimpse of me.

Drew Lynch is a student at Columbus State Community College.

Andrew Pinkerton: "An English major (for now, anyway), I can't quite seem to keep

my mind made up. But this writing thing seems to be pretty fun, so maybe I'll stick with it. Hopefully (so glad it's now OK to use that word in this way), things stay like that. Guess we'll see next year..."

Robert Sexton is currently a junior majoring in middle childhood education, minoring in professional writing, and recently elected as student representative to the OSUM Board of Trustees.

Whitney K. Taylor: I am a student at The Ohio State University Marion Campus majoring in English. Writing poetry has been a great catharsis for me since my mom passed away of breast cancer 11 years ago. Many of my writings speak of nature and experiences. I enjoy sharing them with others. Some of my favorite hobbies and interests are spending time with family and friends, watching my favorite hockey team the Pittsburgh Penguins play, reading, theatre, riding motorcycles, boating, snow skiing, lighthouses, thinking, and walks in the woods.

Melanie Waits: "When I first began this class of writing poetry I never considered myself to be a writer but now knowing that something I had contributed to is going to be published gives me the feeling of accomplishment and that my journey to writing has just begun."

I'm **Meg Weatherford**, I'm 21-years-old, and I don't really have anything interesting to say about myself. I'm not exactly good at writing these... things so this is the best I got. Thumbs up. :)

Brian Wilds is a busy, busy fellow.

Dawud Wilson is a student at Marion Technical College.

hiimcalvinwrayandihaveanintensedislikeforcapitalizationandpunctuationandiwrote the "fuck" poem hope you like it and also mys onisirresistiblyawesomeandcanbefoundin the pictures section of this edition of the cornfield review so i hope you like what i have come up with for you

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OSU-Marion's creative writing club meets every two weeks during the fall and spring semesters (usually during the noon hour in LC 217, but keep an eye out for flyers with updated meeting dates and locations). Feel free to bring your lunch and hang out and listen, or you can bring along some writing to share!

And if you have any questions, contact Stuart Lishan, fellow Kapower and faculty advisor (lishan.1@osu.edu). Hope to see you there!

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