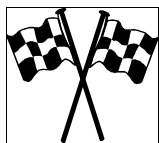


## Keynote Speaker



**Kathryn Shay** - Kathryn Shay has authored more than 34 romance novels, including 24 for Harlequin and 10 for Berkley Publishing Group. She's known for her powerful characterizations—and has many writing awards to her credit.

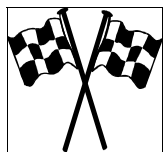
## Editorial Pitches/First Pages

**Rhonda Penders**, editor at The Wild Rose Press will be taking your romance novel pitches!

**First Pages** - A panel of editors and published authors will read your manuscript's first pages—sign up when you register; first come, first serve!

## Speakers

### SCREENWRITING



**Ken Vose** - Pennsylvania screenwriter Ken Vose has more than 25 years in film and television as an editor, writer, producer, and director.

**Bonnie Culver** - Bonnie Culver has plays produced from New York to Los Angeles; she's the co-founder and director of Wilkes University Creative Writing Program.

### SCIENCE FICTION/FANTASY

**Joshua Palmatier** - Joshua Palmatier is the author of the trilogy *The Skewed Throne*, *The Cracked Throne*, and *The Vacant Throne*—with more science fiction/fantasy novels to come.

**Patricia Barnes-Svarney** - Author Patricia Barnes-Svarney has written more than 10 fiction books for *Star Trek*, *Sabrina*, and *Alex Mack*, and over 20 science books—for adults and children.

### ROMANCE

**Rhonda Penders** - Founder and editor of The Wild Rose Press, will talk about the state of romance—and e-publishing—today.

**Kathryn Shay** - Author Kathryn Shay will talk about her experiences as a romance writer and answer your questions about publishing romance.

### YOUNG ADULT

**Diane Martineau** - Artist and author Diane Martineau is a former elementary school art teacher and the author of the children's novel *The Wall on 7th Street*.

**Starr LaTronica** - Starr is well-known for talks on young adult writing. She's a librarian for the Four County Library System and was once the chair for the Newbery Awards.

## Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee:**

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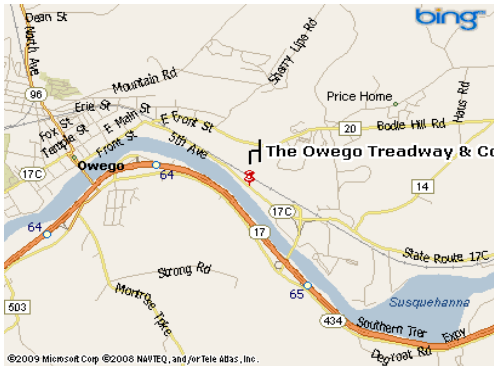
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The Southern Tier Authors of Romance chapter of the Romance Writers of America was founded in 1993 to provide an encouraging environment for local romance writers. The monthly meetings and retreats help writers to develop writing skills, exchange ideas, and talk about the business of writing. For more information about meetings and membership, contact STAR through their Web site at [www.starrwa.org](http://www.starrwa.org)

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