

Lodging

Attendees are responsible for securing their own meals and lodging. Early reservations are recommended. Hotel rooms (\$72/night in Holt Lodge), lodge rooms (\$60/night for Mountaineer Lodge, \$50 for Cedars, Lakes and Main) and dorm rooms (\$15 adult/\$12 youth) are available at Cedar Lakes. Note that dorm rooms do not include linens, so bring your own twin sheets and towels. **Reservations for rooms and arrangements for dining hall meals must be made directly with Cedar Lakes.** www.cedarlakes.com
HC 88, Box 21, Ripley, WV 25271
304-372-7860 info@cedarlakes.com

Other lodging available in nearby Ripley:

Quality Inn

1 Hospitality Drive, Ripley, WV 304-372-5000 ex 2

Best Western McCoys Inn & Conference Center

701 Main Street W, Ripley, WV 25271
(304) 372-9122 or 800-288-9122

Holiday Inn Express

111 Memorial Drive, Ripley, WV 25271,
304-372-4444

Super 8 Motel – Ripley

102 Duke Drive, Ripley, WV 25271
304-372-8880

77 Motor Inn

RR 3 Box 80, Ripley, WV 25271
304-372-5949

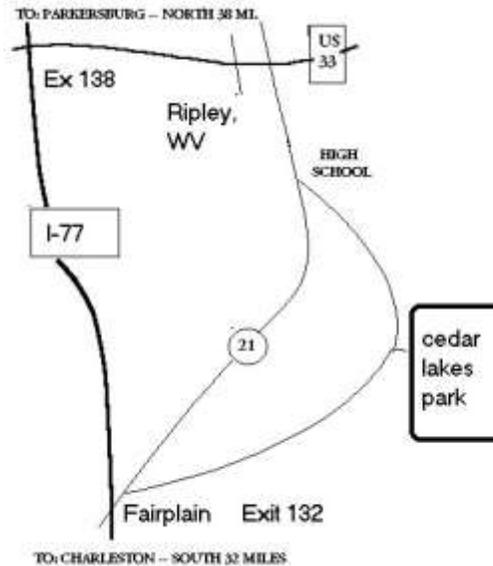
Costs

All three days: \$145 (\$125 members)
Saturday and Sunday: \$125 (\$105 members)
Friday only: \$85
Saturday only: \$95
Sunday only \$75
Students: 50% off adult prices
WV Writers Membership: \$20

Members of national writing guilds receive \$20 discount with presentation of membership card.

Getting There

Cedar Lakes is near Ripley, WV and is located off I-77 at the Ripley/Fairplain Exit #132, 38 miles north of Charleston, WV and 45 miles south of Parkersburg, WV. Follow the brown state park signs to Cedar Lakes.



Registration

Pre-registration has not yet opened, but is strongly encouraged. We will announce on our website when it has begun. If you are pre-registered and your fees are pre-paid in full, you'll be able to pick up your registration packet through the "express lane." WWW can process credit cards through Pay Pal.

The registration desk is located in Assembly Hall and will be open during the following hours:

Friday	10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.



2017 Summer Conference June 9-11 Cedar Lakes Conference Center Ripley, West Virginia

Please join us for three jam-packed days of writing workshops, informal discussions, panel discussions social activities and fantastic entertainment.

West Virginia Writers, Inc.

794 Lake Floyd Circle

Bristol, WV 26428

Steve Goff, president

304-782-3267

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Activities

PEOPLE'S CHOICE SESSIONS

Bring your short poetry or prose to read aloud (four minute limit). Those present vote for the best. Winners will be recognized at the Awards Banquet.

WRITER'S WALL

Bring one page of poetry or prose to post on the Writer's Wall. The author's name must NOT appear on the piece. Sign up on the sheet next to registration in Assembly Hall. Ballots will be distributed with the registration packet and winners will be recognized at the Awards Banquet.

SILENT AUCTION

An eclectic mix of autographed books, writing magazines, gift certificates, White Elephants and much more will be sold to the highest bidder. All those donating an item will be in a special door prize drawing.

ENTERTAINMENT

Friday Night will feature an open mic followed by a screening of Danny Boyd's classic 1991 film *Paradise Park*, set in WV. Saturday Night will feature a Poetry Showcase, followed by a featured musical entertainer

BOOKSTORE

Attendees may display books or CDs they've authored or published to sell at the bookstore.

BUSINESS MEETING

Where we introduce our workshop leaders, hold officer elections and conduct our annual membership business meeting, Friday at 1p.

AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday evening's awards banquet, where we announce the winners of our annual Writing Contest.

More Presenters

- **Donna Stanley Meredith – author**
- **Michael Knost - author**
- **Crystal Good - poet**
- **Danny Boyd - graphic novels and screen writing**
- **Joe Limer - slam poetry**
- **Carter Taylor Seaton - author**
- **Kirk Judd - poetry**
- **Shelia Redling - author**
- **Karin Fuller - columnist**
- **Diane Tarantini - blogging and faith-based writing**
- **Michelle Zirkle Marcum - mindfulness and writing**
- **Larry Schardt - creativity and resilience**
- *and many more to be revealed*

Plus panels on the history of West Virginia Writers, Inc.

Poetry Critique Sessions

Additional presenters will be announced on our website at www.WVWriters.org.

Each attendee will receive a WVW tote bag full of writing publications, information, and surprises.

More Fun

The WV Writers Conference is known for its laid back atmosphere and camaraderie. No one is a stranger and all are welcome. After the entertainment ends each evening, attendees are invited to hang out at the bonfire to relax, catch up with folks they know or get to know new ones.

More Information

Information about the 2017 Summer Conference will be continually updated via our website, eventually to include the complete conference brochure, conference workshop schedule, workshop descriptions, presenter bios, registration forms, and everything you need to know from how to get there to what to do once you're there. Visit our website at www.WVWriters.org.

