

Come Join Us!

**Thursday, April 16
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Retired Spring Conference 2020

Join us for our new format—you'll get to participate in three different topics:

- **Author Talk ***
- **STRS**
- **NEA Member Benefits/Travel**

***Mac's Backs-Books will be here with authors' books to purchase.**

To be held at the:

**NEOEA Conference Center
6001 Landerhaven Drive, Suite D
Mayfield Heights, OH 44124**

(map available at
neoea.org/NEOEA_Office_Map.pdf)

SCHEDULE

- 9:00 - 9:15 Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 9:15 - 9:30 Introduction/Welcome
- 9:30 - 10:20 **NEA Member Benefits/Travel by Guy Kendall-Freas:** Are you planning to travel? Take advantage of your NEA Member Benefits before finalizing details. Also hear the latest discounts and offers.
- 10:25 - 11:15 **STRS by Tamla Cole:** Updates, changes, and trends. SERS updates available also.
- 11:20 - 12:10 **Author Talk:** Three local authors will discuss their genre, writing processes, and their latest works. Opportunities for Q&A and to purchase their books. See back for author details.
- 12:15 - 1:00 Lunch. Ice Cream Social provided by NEA Member Benefits.



Space is limited; registration closes April 10 or until we reach capacity. Send this registration form along with your check for \$20 (made payable to NEOEA) to NEOEA, 6001 Landerhaven Drive, Suite D, Mayfield Heights, OH 44124-4190.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

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Phone (cell/home) _____

Casey Daniels / Kylie Logan

I write a few different things, but they are all mysteries.



I write the Pepper Martin Mysteries—set in Cleveland. Pepper works at an historic cemetery and solves mysteries for the ghosts there. The last book in this series (at least for now) came out a few years ago.

I'm currently writing as Kylie Logan. The latest book is "The Scent of Murder," also a mystery and also set in Cleveland (Tremont). The heroine, Jazz Ramsey, trains and handles cadaver dogs. Book #2 in the series will be published on May 5.

D.M. Pulley

Before becoming a full-time writer, D.M. Pulley worked as a Professional Engineer rehabbing historic structures and conducting forensic investigations of



building failures. Her structural survey of a vacant building in Cleveland inspired her debut novel, "The Dead Key," the winner of the 2014 Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award.

All four of Pulley's published thrillers incorporate true crimes and historical events as they shine a light into the darker side of life in the Midwest. Her latest novel, "No One's Home," unravels the disturbing history of a Shaker Heights mansion haunted by family secrets, financial ruin, and murder. The abandoned buildings, haunted houses, and buried past of the Rust Belt continue to inspire her work.

Susan Petrone

My first two books, "Throw Like a Woman" and "The Super Ladies," are probably what you would call upmarket women's fiction or commercial fiction. "Throw Like a Woman" is about a single mom who discovers she can throw 95 mph whenever she thinks about her ex-husband. A



random video of her at a test-your-speed pitching cage at an Indians game goes viral, and she ends up becoming the first woman in the majors. Along the way, she learns to let go of the anger fueling her fastball and even finds a little love.

"The Super Ladies" is about three friends who develop superpowers when they go through menopause (there's a science fair explosion that causes hyper-hormonal changes in them). They try to fight crime and become suburban superheroes while still holding down jobs and taking care of their families. (Just saying, Batman never had to worry about work-life balance.)

I have a new novel coming out on April 21 called "The Heebie-Jeebie Girl." I've described it as "Crime & Punishment set only with jokes and magic." After her grandmother is robbed and injured, a little girl and her great uncle try to track down the guys who did it. One of the narrative voices is the City of Youngstown itself, who comments on the action and characters.