## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS WRITERS GUILD FEATURES MISTI SANDEFUR

Veteran freelance writer to share tips on marketing writing services

Carterville, IL., May 20, 2010 (7 p.m.) - Misti Sandefur, a veteran freelance writer and Southern Illinois native, will be the guest speaker at the Southern Illinois Writers Guild meeting, which will be located in Room B48 at John A. Logan College on 700 Logan College Road in Carterville, IL. Sandefur will talk briefly about her 10+ years experience as a writer, and then she'll share some of what she's learned over the years to help the writers in attendance market their writing services. In addition to revealing some of her secrets to success, she'll distribute free handouts to the group.

Since 1999, Sandefur has been writing content for businesses, webmasters, bloggers and others in need of quality content. Besides providing writing services to the aforementioned, she enjoys writing Christian fiction that she hopes will warm the souls of her readers. Writing inspirational fiction stories is Sandefur's greatest passion.

"Misti Sandefur is the perfect combination of a Southern Illinois writer," says Cindy Gunnin, vice president of the Southern Illinois Writers Guild. "She writes without preaching about faith, the beauty of her surroundings and down-home wisdom. She offers practical advice for exploring the region, enjoying life with your family and creating a principled life. Misti writes for several exceptional sites online and has published books of her own,"

To-date, Sandefur has had numerous articles and stories published in various print and electronic publications, she's editor of CoffeeBreakforWriters.com and the author of "Help From Above" and "On the Net Resource Guide for Writers" (both published under the name Misti Jackson). She's also writing her second Christian fiction novel, which will be the first book in her Acts of Kindness series.

"Working from home as a freelance writer gives me more time with my three teenagers, husband and two adult stepchildren. It also allows me to be a caregiver for my elderly father who was diagnosed in late 2009 with Lymphoma and Leukemia," Sandefur says. "I'm doing what I've loved since I was 8 years old, while also being able to care for my loved ones when they need me."

Writers are encouraged to attend the free speaking event in May. There's no need for registration. Just bring along a writer friend and be prepared to learn how to market your writing services.

If you'd like to find out more about Sandefur, schedule an interview or request a press photo for your story, you can reach her via email (mediainquiries@mistisandefur.com) or (708) 71MISTI.

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