

AARON HOLLINGSWORTH

Aaron Hollingsworth writes weird fiction, science fantasy, and RPG supplements for the Pathfinder Roleplaying Game. His fiction works include *The Bone Brick City*, *The Geohex of Wraith County*, *The Broken Bards of Paris*, and *The Apothecary of Mantua*. He lives in Kansas City. Learn more aaronhollingsworth.com.



CLAIRE ASHGROV

Building on a background of fantasy game design, a fascination with history, and a lifetime love of books, Award-Winning Author Claire Ashgrove brings to life action-filled, passionate journeys of the heart. Claire lives in Missouri with her two young sons and too-many horses, cats, chickens, and dogs. In her "free" time, she enjoys cooking, gaming, studying Ancient Civilizations, and spending time managing the family farm. She credits her success to her family's constant support and endless patience. To learn more about Claire, visit her on the web at: clairashgrove.com



ANITA YOUNG

Anita C. Young is a Medical Laboratory Scientist who spends her free time thinking of ways to explain the supernatural and unexplained through science. She loves to occupy her free time with reading, writing, drawing, painting, and spending time with her animals (three cats and two dogs).



DAYTON WARD

Dayton Ward is a New York Times bestselling author or co-author of more than twenty novels, often working with his best friend, Kevin Dilmore. His short fiction has appeared in more than twenty anthologies, and he's written for various magazines including *Kansas City Voices*, *Famous Monsters of Filmland*, *Star Trek* and *Star Trek Communicator*, as well as the websites *Tor.com*, *StarTrek.com*, and *Syfy.com*. Dayton lives with his wife and two daughters in Lee's Summit, Mo. daytonward.com.



DAVID PEDERSEN

David J. Pedersen is a native of Racine, WI who resides in his home town Kansas City, MO. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from the University of Wisconsin - Madison. He has worked in sales, management, retail, video and film production, and IT. David has run 2 marathons, climbed several 14,000-foot mountains and marched in The University of Wisconsin Marching Band. David published his first fantasy novel, *Angst*, in 2010. Despite what his wife says, the *Angst* series is not autobiographical because David doesn't own a giant, magical sword. He is a geek and a fanboy that enjoys carousing, picking on his wife and kids, playing video games, and slowly muddling through his next novel.



CAROL ESTES

Carol Estes is a photographer, writer of prose and poetry, and spoken word performer. A graduate of Grandview High School, she recently closed her antique shop in NW Indiana after 29 years. Her first book, *Memories Evoked*, was published in October 2016. She has performed her work on many stages, including the historic Green Mill Lounge in Chicago. In December, awarded Best In Show, she will receive her first solo photography show in 2017.



KEVIN DILMORE

Kevin Dilmore has teamed with author and best pal Dayton Ward for 16 years on novels, shorter fiction and other writings. Their latest work includes the novel **Purgatory's Key** (Pocket Books) and a story in **Star Trek: Waypoint #2** (IDW Publishing) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the original "Star Trek" TV series. A contributor to publications including the Village Voice, Amazing Stories and Famous Monsters of Filmland, Kevin works as a senior writer for Hallmark Cards. He lives in Overland Park.



PETE DULIN

Pete Dulin is the author of **Kansas City Beer: A History of Brewing in the Heartland** (The History Press, 2016). His next book, *Expedition of Thirst: Exploring Breweries, Distilleries and Wineries Across Central Kansas and Missouri*, will be released in fall 2017 by University Press of Kansas. He also wrote *KC Ale Trail* and *Last Bite: 100 Simple Recipes from Kansas City's Best Chefs and Cooks*. Based in KCMO, Pete is a freelance writer with covering food, beverage, business, and lifestyle. His work has appeared in *Flatland*, *Recommended Daily*, *Feast Magazine*, *The Kansas City Star*, *The Pitch*, *Visit KC*, *River Front Times*, *The Boston Globe*, and many other publications and websites.



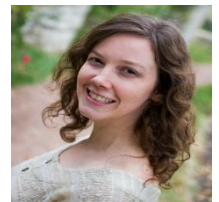
DENNIS YOUNG

Dennis comments about his 11 years of writing, "I decided it was time to write the tales of Ardwel. You want blood and guts, we got it. You want romance and hot sex, we got it. You want moral dilemmas and hard choices, we got those, too. But mostly we have great adventures, flawed heroes, and bad guys you just love to hate." He has a book series starting with the **Secret Fire: The Ardwelian Chronicles, Book One**.



J.R. FRONTERA

J. R. Frontera's love of science fiction and fantasy originated with her early exposure to the worlds of *Star Wars*, *Star Trek*, *Lord of the Rings*, and *Dune*. Exploring the potential and pitfalls of future or fantastical worlds is a temptation she's just never been able to resist. She lives in rural Missouri with her husband, son, and a random assortment of four-legged friends. She writes mostly speculative fiction with a side of love story, but dabbles in a bit of everything else, from children's stories and poetry to erotica. She co-founded the Kansas City writing group known as *The Wordwraiths* and is co-owner of their publishing imprint *Wordwraith Books*. jrfrontera.com



JAMES YOUNG

James Young is a Missouri native who left a small town for the United States Military Academy. After serving in the Army, Young moved to Kansas to pursue his doctorate in U.S. History. As a historian, Young won the U.S. Armor Center's Draper Award for a battle analysis of the Golan Heights, placed in the James A. Adams Cold War History contest held by the Virginia Military Institute, published in the *Journal of Military History* and winner of the United States Naval Institutes 2016 Cyber Warfare Essay Contest. Currently living in the Midwest with his loving, kind, and beautiful spouse, Mr. Young spends his time completing his dissertation while plotting new, interesting ways to torment characters and readers alike.



PAT O'NEILL

Author of **From the Bottom Up: The Story of the Irish in Kansas City** is a fifth generation Kansas Citian whose family came from Ireland, via the coal mines of Pennsylvania, in the early 1880s. He is proud of his family's civic and political contributions to the city – particularly those of his namesake, Alderman John P. O'Neill, who represented the people of these river bottoms, and whom the *Kansas City Journal* once had the nerve to call "a confessed and proven rascal."



THADDEUS NOWAK

Thaddeus (or Ted to those who know him) has always been interested in fantasy and science fiction. Early on, when just starting high school, his avid reading grew into a desire to write. A desire which has turned into a lifelong pursuit. When not reading or writing, he enjoys hiking in the mountains, landscape photography, and spending time with an overly intelligent, but wonderful horse. He has degrees in Chemistry, Computer Information Systems, and Business Management and has held a handful of jobs: some in retail, some in healthcare, but primarily in the technology fields. Thaddeus currently lives in Kansas with his wife and horse, but wishes there were more mountains visible on the horizon.



ROBIN WAYNE BAILEY

Robin Wayne Bailey is a novelist, short story writer, poet and editor. His work includes the FROST series of novels and stories, the **Dragonkin** young-adult novels, the **Brothers of the Dragon** series, and many others. His novelette, **The Children's Crusade** was a 2008 Nebula Award nominee. He's a former two-term president of the Science Fiction & Fantasy Writers of America, a founder of the Science Fiction & Fantasy Hall of Fame, and a frequent speaker at conventions and workshops around the country. His next book, **Little Green Men – ATTACK!**, is an anthology of science fiction tales co-edited with Bryan Thomas Schmidt. It comes out in March from Baen Books.



DUANE PORTER

Award-winning author Duane Porter started writing to help his daughter Karen with her art assignment. Their first collaboration was a picture book **The Best Ride**. Then Duane began writing novels for children, turning a life-long passion for chess into a teaching adventure **Charlie and the Chess Set**. Duane traveled to Ireland to research his first Trilogy. This adventure follows eleven-year old Molly O'Malley as she discovers her Irish roots, a leprechaun, and magical complications. Journey with her in **Molly O'Malley and the Leprechaun**, **Molly O'Malley: Rise of the Changeling**, and **Molly O'Malley and the Pirate Queen**. His latest undertaking is **Werewolf for Hire: The Ghost of Goresthorpe Grange**.



Duane lives in Blue Springs, Missouri, with his wife, daughter, his mother-in-law, a dog, and fifteen chess sets. BuriedTreasurePublishing.com

PHIL LEVOTA

Phil LeVota is a trial attorney and a life-long resident of Jackson County, Missouri. As a trial prosecutor, Phil tried numerous jury trials ranging from murder and assault to drug cases. He also has argued successfully before the Missouri Court of Appeals. Further, Phil specialized in prosecuting gang violence as the designated Gang Prosecutor for the Kansas City Police Department. Phil has served on the County Homicide Case Review Committee, as well as the Jackson County Prosecutor's Death Penalty Review Committee. His duties ranged from homicide prosecution to media contact and office spokesman as well as coordinating several law enforcement and community task forces committees. **His Name Was Murder** tells the story of five different homicide cases from Kansas City, Missouri, as told by the prosecutor who handled the cases himself, Phil LeVota. Five different stories are the five chapters that tell the different tale of true crime from the criminals' perspective, the police perspective, and the prosecution perspective. From the horrific crime where the murderer made his son help him cut off the victim's head and hands to the robbery and rape of the sweet neighborhood grandmother, this is a hard-to-put-down book that keeps you wanting more.





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FEBRUARY FIRST FRIDAY WAREHOUSE WEEKEND 2017

BUSINESS	ADDRESS	FRIDAY AM	FRIDAY PM	SATURDAY AM	SATURDAY PM
Bella Petina	1324 W. 12th St		David Pedersen	Duane Porter	
Bottoms Up Antiques	1300 W. 13th St	Jennifer Frontera / Kristin Helling		Phil LaVota	Claire Ashgrove
Garmet Factory Homegrown Boutique	1300 W. 13th St		Pete Dulin	David Pedersen	
Good JuJu	1420 W. 13th Terr			Kevin Dilmore / Dayton Ward	Pat O'Neill
Le Fou Flea	1300 W. 12th St			Aaron Hollingsworth	
Nook & Cranny	1400 W. 13th St	Claire Ashgrove (10:00 am)			
The Painted Sofa	1101 Mulberry St		Dennis Young		Aaron Hollingsworth
The Pink Daisy	1413 W. 11th St	David Pedersen			Duane Porter
The Red Shed	1405 W. 12th St	Dennis Young			Carol Estes
Rustic Vintage Rose	1405 W. 13th St		Ted Nowak	Anita & James Young	
Serendipity	1401 W. 13th	Ted Nowak		Robin Wayne Bailey	Phil LaVota
Upholstered Elegance	1308 W. 11th St		Carol Estes	Dennis Young	