# Join us on Saturday, December 8th for our Branch Meeting and Festive Holiday Luncheon

## Writing from Reality: Opportunities & Pitfalls

featuring three of our own: Janet Finsilver, Jim Hasse & Wendy Blakeley



#### Janet Finsilver:

- Opportunities and pitfalls when writing about a real place.
- Should you include your pet (dog) in your books?
- Advantages and disadvantages of writing a series.

#### Jim Hasse:

- How does Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) manifest during the writing process?
- How does journaling and short story writing help in writing from reality?
- What is the value of working in a group setting?

### Wendy Blakeley:

- How I found a story in my memoir that makes it a meaningful book to read.
- How I rose to the challenge and overcame self-doubt: "Who am I to write about Africa?"
- How I dealt with delicate subjects, depicting people and incidents that are not flattering but were important to the story.

Special Meal Selection: New York Steak, Salmon, Chicken Parmesan, or Pasta Primavera