

VIRTUAL BRANCH MEETING

February 13, 2021

**9:30 Sign-In - 9:45 Breakout Rooms – 10:00 Writer's Table – 11:00 Business Mtg.
Speaker 11:15 – 12:15**

Register online at <https://cwcmt Diablo.org/current-cwc-mt-diablo-meeting/>
Once registered, you will receive a link to join the Zoom meeting.

Talking the Talk:
How to make your dialogue sound realistic
featuring
Penny Warner

**While writing dialogue can be challenging, it's one of the
most important skills you'll need to tell your story.
Dialogue moves the story along at a faster pace, and...**

Dialogue makes a story come alive, as it:

- **Reveals character**
- **Sets the mood**
- **Increases the drama, and**
- **Incorporates the advice, "Show, Don't Tell"**



Penny Warner has published over 70 books for both adults and children. Her middle-grade mystery series, **THE CODE BUSTERS CLUB**, has won three Agatha Awards for Best Children's Mystery, and has over half a million in print world-wide.

In addition to middle-grade fiction, she has written award-nominated *The Official Nancy Drew Handbook* and is the author of three adult mystery series, including **DEAD BODY LANGUAGE**, **HOW TO HOST A KILLER PARTY**, featuring a party planner, *DEATH OF A CHOCOLATE CHEATER*, featuring food trucks. She wrote a column for the local newspaper on family life for over 30 years, creates fund-raising murder mystery events for libraries across the country, and taught child development at Diablo Valley College for 35 years. She can be reached at <http://www.pennywarner.com> or pennywarnerink@yahoo.com.