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Bi-Monthly Newsletter

So you can follow the antics of your favorite Blackbird

Anglo Saxon Season Report

September: Haligmonað

Who is submitting, what is being submitted:

Kasey Jones of New Virginia and Jenna Henry of California.

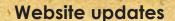
Submissions for the September Issue include poetry, photography,

comics, articles and various pieces of artwork.

This issue is also our very first issue containing ads.

Magazine plans for the future, changes being made and why: Change to Bi-Monthly!

Black Bird is scheduled to become bi-monthly instead of monthly as of January, 2013, so enjoy the monthly issues while they last!



Our website is being updated weekly by our webmaster, the great Moses.

Please bear with us as the site is currently still under major construction.

Misc. Updates:

Bills were sent out on Monday, September 3rd to the Ankeny and Clive public libraries for bi-monthly subscriptions of Black Bird.

Our new Black Bird logo is in use on our social media sites and soon to be available on our website.

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As of September, 2012 we are offering your first month of Black Bird free if you order an online bi-monthly subscription, so sign up today!

For questions call Paige Rothfus at 515-943-2131

Social Media Updates

Check out Black Bird on Twitter, Facebook, Tumblr, Googleplus, and Pintrest for art, photos, poetry tidbits, tips, and exciting newthey are updated on a daily basis!

We are also currently considering a Myspace account.



We still need musicians, fashion designers, models, actors and other performers who are interested in being aired on our internet radio station.

We are currently accepting submissions for Black Bird Radio.

To submit or ask Kristina a question, email Kristinamblackbird@gmail.com

Word on the next upcoming club meeting:.

There is currently no planned upcoming meeting for the Creative Writing Guild as our members have dropped to very low numbers.

A meeting will be scheduled as soon as there are members to merit it.

News on upcoming events and how to get involved Upcoming events:

A meeting was had with CWG advisor Marc Dickonson last week and his discussion with Tonya Wheeler is still pending regarding how to create awareness

and buzz about Black Bird on the DMACC website and by creating a blog,

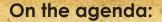
a blurb in the DMACC Daily and the Stall Street Times,

and making a link to the Gothic Blackbird website from DMACC's homepage.

CWG meeting. (See above)

Submissions coming due for October Issue

of Black Bird September 20th by 12 AM



Adding Corey Cook to our Black Bird team, Moses Eckstein and Paige Rothfus

are meeting with him on September 5th to discuss his joining.

A meeting was held last week between Paige Rothfus and a Marketing advisor

of DMACC to gain some insight for marketing and staff management.

The tools learned are still being put into practice.

Revamping the website is now in session: **Sneak Peek!** Here are just a few of the pages and features you can expect in the upcoming weeks and months:

- Submission guidelines page
- Visitor/Subscriber suggestion page
- Events page (that highlights all the holidays and how Black Bird will be celebrating them, by festivals, contests, and giveaways)
 - FAQ page
 - A mobile app for Black Bird

Black Bird e-mag available for download into kindle, nook, ipads, etc.

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Want to get more involved? Contact Lëaf or Moses

at gothicblackbird@ymail.com for information about how you can help.

If you have submissions or questions regarding Black Bird Network Radio,

contact Kristina McCormick at Kristinamblackbird@gmail.com

We always need volunteers for website and social media, community promotion,

managing emails to remind people about submissions, redeeming pop cans

and replacing plastic bags in the donation containers and various other tasks.

If you prefer to speak to someone on the phone call 515-943-2131

What's in it for me?

Benefits of helping out:

Opportunity to serve and help Black Bird promote

fine art and design and share it with the community

Meeting new friends and contacts

It looks fantastic on a resume! (We usually give out titles

for our volunteers so you can stick that on your resume)

