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Event Features Three Alumnae, a Faculty Member and Professor Emerita

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—The Dover Library at Gardner-Webb University is hosting a book signing featuring five authors with ties to the campus. The event is open to the public and will be held Feb. 4 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the large group study room on the main floor of the library.

The featured authors are: Alumnae, Jen Guberman, Miriam Thor and Teresa Ammons Crew; Instructor of English Composition and Writing Center Director, Matthew Duffus; and Professor Emerita of Religion, Alice Cullinan. They will discuss and sign their books, which will be available for purchase. Refreshments will follow the program.

Here's a look at each author:

- Guberman graduated from GWU in 2018 with a bachelor's degree in communication and new media. She published her first two novels—"Eos" and "Fortitude"—before she graduated. The books are part of a trilogy called, "Eos Dawn," a dystopian story set in a future where criminals are exiled to towns designated for different types of crime. The last novel in the series is called "Dawn."
- Thor earned a double major in American Sign Language and Elementary Education from Gardner-Webb in 2012. She currently works as a sign language interpreter at a middle school. She has published two novellas, "Wish Granted" and "Her First Noel." She is also the author of several short stories and poetry.



Jen Guberman



Matthew Duffus

- Crew earned her Master of Arts Degree in English from Gardner-Webb in 2003. Her book, “The Silver Phoenix,” is a murder mystery. Employed by Gaston County Schools from 1985 to 1997, Crew taught English, journalism, creative writing, U.S. and world history, and theater. While teaching theater, at least four of her works were published by Meriwether Publishing Company. She received her doctorate from University of Wales/TrinitySaint David in 2014.
- Duffus has published several short stories and poems over his 20-year career. His creative work has appeared in more than two-dozen publications. He has also published articles and book chapters on various topics. Recently, after eight years of writing and editing, Duffus published his first novel, “Swapping Purples for Yellows.” Set during a college homecoming, the novel is about the Sutherlands, a troubled family, who seek divergent paths to heal their damaged household.
- Cullinan has authored or co-authored eight books and several devotional guides. Her most recent ones are the devotional, “Joy in God’s Presence,” and “Six Keys to Unlock the Power of Prayer.” She began her work as professor of religion and religious education at Gardner-Webb in 1974 and served in this capacity until her retirement in 2004, when she was awarded faculty emerita status. Cullinan received many awards during her tenure at GWU, including the Fleming-White Excellence in Teaching Award.



Teresa Ammons Crew



Miriam Thor



Dr. Alice Cullinan

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