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Sherri Burr was one of the first to offer to teach a workshop at last year's National Federation of Press Women conference in Salt Lake City. I was impressed with her enthusiasm for what she does. In addition, this amazing woman lectures around the world on copyright protection, in addition to being a university professor teaching intellectual property law in New Mexico. Meet another unique, unbelievable NFPW member.

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March 17, 2014

Name: Sherri Burr

City and State: Albuquerque, New Mexico

Affiliate and any leadership positions:

New Mexico Press Women Vice-President and Chair of the Bylaws Committee

Years a member of NFPW:

Since 2007, when I first won a national contest award.



In a couple of paragraphs, tell us a little about you.

"I am the author of 20 books, including *A Short and Happy Guide to Financial Well-Being*. I love writing and I adore my writing friends. Attending critique group is one of the highlights of my week because I am privileged to see what the imaginations of my fellow writers have created.

I'm also a university professor who has been teaching for 26 years.

At the NFPW conference in Salt Lake City, she presented a workshop on copyright law and explained how attendees can protect their print and digital media works.

Any career advice you would give?

"Always meet your deadlines. I learned this the hard way when I missed one and my story didn't run. Since then I will come in at 3:00 a.m. or stay up half the night to meet a deadline."

Which talent would you most like to have?

I wish I could ice skate like some of the Olympians because it looks so beautiful and graceful.

If you could live anywhere, where would it be?

I'm living there now: Albuquerque, New Mexico. I've been fortunate to live in beautiful places like Honolulu, Phoenix, San Francisco and abroad, but I love New Mexico.

What book are you reading?

I just finished *Blowback* by Valerie Plame and Sarah Lovett. I loved that two people from such different backgrounds could craft a thriller together. I also just finished reading the nonfiction book *Play*. I liked his advice of making work fun.

What would people be surprised to learn about you?

I love go-kart racing. It's fast and you have to focus.

Why is your affiliate and NFPW important to you?

I love the camaraderie of both NMPW and NFPW. Our New Mexico Press Women board meetings are fun and I always enjoy the National Conference.

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