



**Writing it Down with Rick Ohler:  
The Gift of Memoir and Family Stories**  
**If you're serious about writing your story or your  
family's stories, this is the place to begin.**

**Tuesdays at the Roycroft Campus Power House  
February 4-March 17, 2020.  
Seven sessions 9:30am – 11:30am**

*A seven-session workshop designed to help beginning and experienced writers plan, develop and write their memoirs or family story or both.*

The writers of memoirs and the tellers of family stories create priceless gifts for their children and grandchildren and for generations yet unborn. But writing memoirs or telling family stories is also a gift we give ourselves. Committing to the process of researching, sorting, gathering memories and arranging them into a logical and entertaining narrative, does wonders for the spirit and lends a clarity to life that may not have existed before. Besides, it helps you become a thoughtful ancestor.

In this seven-session workshop, we'll first consider examples of memoir and family story from the most basic to the most elegant, from photocopied anecdotes to professionally published hardcover books. Then we will do some focused writing that will help writers make a plan for their individual projects. During each session, we'll share our writing in an encouraging and nurturing manner and develop assignments for the days between sessions. The bargain that workshop members strike with each other is simple: You agree to listen intently to everyone's stories and they will do the same for you. It's a great recipe for a positive dynamic. After seven meetings, each writer should have a draft of his or her writing project, plans for revision, and a schedule of work yet to be done.

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Teacher, writer, author, award-winning columnist and newspaper writer Rick Ohler has been helping veteran and first-time writers, from teenagers to nonagenarians with their stories for 36 years. Visit him at [rickohler.com](http://rickohler.com).

**Class Tuition \$130** (includes seven 2-hour sessions)  
Registration is required, and seating is limited (Max. of 6 students)

To register please call the Roycroft Copper Shop at **716-655-0261** or visit our website at  
[www.roycroftcampuscorporation.com](http://www.roycroftcampuscorporation.com)

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