Meet Your Board Members Spotlight Charlene Marcus, ESWA Treasurer

What do you like to do?

Travel, read, attend concerts, plays and experience life.

How did you come to ESWA?

I attended the Bay to Ocean Conference and was very impressed by the caliber of programs and information available to new and advanced writers. I began working on a committee with Diane Marquette, Shar McBee and Laura Ambler. From there I worked on the original application for 505 c 3 status with Wilson Wyatt, Judy Reveal and Hal Wilson. I began attending meetings while Judy was president and became a member of the board when Hal Wilson became president. I have worked with the Bay to Ocean Conference, Delmarva Review and the meetings and events of ESWA. I liked that the organization was not too big to squeeze out new writers and no too small to have some well-respected writers.

Why did you want to serve as treasurer?

Who are you?

I have been writing since high school. I had my own column in the school newspaper. I went on to get a bachelor's degree in English with a double major in Speech and Drama. With a masters in speech language pathology most of my writing was technical, medical or explanatory. I also have a teaching degree in English and taught in New York for several years. I write for magazines and have a published novel. I am involved with many non-profit organizations and volunteer for many local events.

I was asked to help move the books to an organized system with Hal Wilson. We took the books from a written accounting system to a Quick Book format. It can be a very difficult position especially during a change in leadership.

What is something quirky about you that no one knows?

I am very much into genealogy. As a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, my ancestry goes back to Charlemagne and Thomas

Jefferson. My relative arrived on the Mayflower and at Jamestown. They helped build this country.