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Sisters in Crime is an international organization of women and men whose purpose is to promote mysteries written by women and to combat discrimination against them. Speakers include published mystery authors and technical experts who help writers craft better mysteries, and readers enjoy what they read. Meetings are free and open to all.

For more information, check out the Sisters in Crime website at www.hotxsinc.org

**NO MEETING SCHEDULED
IN APRIL 2009!**

Meetings of the Heart of Texas Chapter of Sisters in Crime are scheduled for the second Sunday of each month. This year, the second Sunday of April is also Easter Sunday. In deference to the holiday, we have cancelled the April Meeting.

May Meeting Schedule

We have also made changes in the schedule for the May meetings. Because the regularly scheduled meeting would fall on Mother's Day, May 10, we have moved it back one week to May 3, to avoid conflicts with family celebrations.

May is also Texas Mystery Month, and as we have for the past several years, we will again co-host the *Barbara Burnett Smith Aspiring Writers Event* on **Sunday, May 17, from 2:00-4:00 PM**, at the Barnes & Noble bookstore, Westlake Village. At this meeting, the Barbara Burnett Smith Mentoring Authors Foundation will also present the Sage Award to an author who has demonstrated outstanding commitment as a mentor.

We appreciate your patience with our schedule changes and hope to see you on Sunday, May 3, when Chapter member Micqui Miller leads a panel discussion entitled, *Go Green! Read (or Write) an e-Mystery and Save a Tree!*

Upcoming Chapter Programs

May 3 - Author and HoTXSnC member Micqui Miller will lead a panel discussion on e-publishing: *Go Green! Read (or Write) an eMystery and Save a Tree!*

June 14 - P. J. Nunn, founder of **Breakthrough Promotions**, will present a program on **What You Don't Know About Book Promotion**.

July 12 - Val Smith, Cyber Security Expert

August 9 - Chapter Indoor Picnic/Potluck - Presentation by David Heavener, Actor, Teacher, Filmmaker, Singer and Songwriter.

2009 Texas Mystery Month

May 17 - Barbara Burnett Smith **Aspiring Writers Event and Presentation of the Sage Award by the Barbara Burnett Smith Mentoring Authors Foundation**