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# *The Posthumous Papers of Sidney Fein* Robert Wexelblatt

The imaginary author/teacher/father Sidney Fein (1942-1984) was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Fein published three books as well as a quantity of verse and fiction, much of it unpublished and some published under pseudonyms.

Pseudonymity is just one of the themes of the collection but its scope is wide and unpredictable. Among the thirty-five pieces are a keynote address, short stories, poems, essays on a variety of philosophical and literary subjects, including the work of other imaginary authors. Each piece is accompanied by remarks from the scholar who, at the behest of his daughter, has edited the papers left behind by Fein on his death at the age of forty-two.

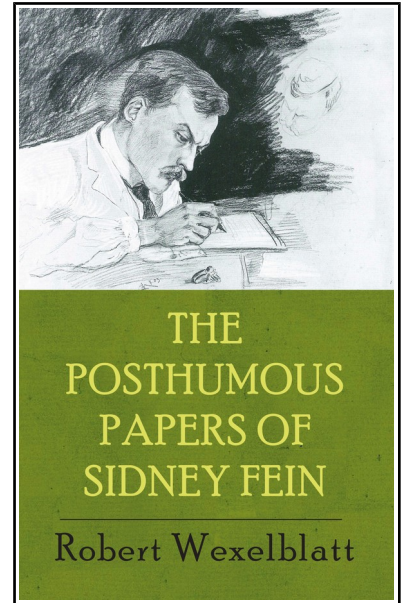
The book includes a preface from the actual author and a postscript that includes a retrospective essay on Fein's work by an imaginary critic along with notes for the new book Fein was just beginning when he died.

### About the author

Robert Wexelblatt is professor of Humanities at Boston University's College of General Studies. He has published five story collections, *Heiberg's Twitch*, *Petites Suites*, *Life in the Temperate Zone*, *The Decline of Our Neighborhood*, and *The Artist Wears Rough Clothing*; a book of essays, *Professors at Play*; two short novels, *Losses* and *The Derangement of Jules Torquemal*, and essays stories and poems in a variety of scholarly and literary journals. His novel *Zublinka Among Women* was awarded the Indie Book Awards first-place prize for fiction.

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