

A chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas

Poets Northwest Newsletter

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SATURDAY MARCH 13
10:00 AM
AT

Cypress Creek Christian Community Center
6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX 77379
Annex Rm 23/25 (2nd floor)

Chasing Images: poems by Jeffrey Lickson

Jeffrey Lickson was born in New York City, grew up in Connecticut, and has lived with his wife, an artist and retired professor, in Houston, Texas for the past 25 years. He has two children and five grandchildren. He graduated from Johns Hopkins University, the University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Work, and earned a doctorate in instructional systems from Florida State University.


His careers include social work in child welfare and mental health, instructional design and management consulting in healthcare, aviation, government, high technology, and the petroleum industry, and community college and university teaching. He is the author of *David Charles: the Story of the Quincy 5*, *The Continuously Improving Self: a Personal Guide to TQM*, and *I Am Cautious*, a book of poetry. The judges selected Jeff to be a Juried Poet in October's Houston Poetry Fest 2009.


Read-Around
Everyone is invited to bring 1 or 2 original poems
1 page limit each

Door Prize provided by Carol Taylor

The Mission of Poets Northwest

Founded in 1986, by Susan Daubenspeck, Betty Kersh and Claire Ottenstein-Ross, our main objective is to facilitate and inspire poets to write more poetry. We provide information about current poetry contests, feature guest poets on a regular basis, study the masters of creative verse, and encourage members. Poets are also encouraged to read their poems at each meeting. Membership is \$12 annually (Jan-Dec) & \$6 for 12 & under. Meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10 AM to noon at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center, 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX 77379

 **2010 Dues are due! \$12 annually. Make checks payable to *Poets Northwest*. You can bring them to the March meeting. This will be the last newsletter for those who have not paid their dues, so please write your check and bring it to the meeting or mail it to Jim Hale.**

 **Claire Ottenstein-Ross** is back at home from the hospital and in great spirits – we've missed you Claire!

PNW 2009 Anthology – *Poets Northwest Inspired*

If you haven't purchased or picked up our new Anthology, they will be available at the March meeting and are \$6 each.

Poetry Society of Texas (PST)

Student Contest guidelines are available at www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org. All entries must be received by March 1st, 2010.

National Federation of State Poetry Societies

2010 NFSPS Annual Contest

Details at www.nfsp.com Deadline postmarked not before January 1, 2010 and no later than March 15.

2010 Beall Poetry Festival

PST members are invited to attend the 16th annual *Beall Poetry Festival* at Baylor University taking place March 25-27. This year's festival will feature poets John Koethe, Carol Frost and Stanley Plumly as well as critic Charles Altieri. All events are free and open to the public.

In conjunction with the Beall Festival, the Baylor English Department is also hosting their annual *House of Poetry* on March 25th (8 AM-2 PM). Two PST members are invited guests: Texas Poet Laureate Karla K. Morton, who will give the morning presentation, and PST councilor Anne McCrady, who will offer an early afternoon workshop.

For more information and event times, visit www.baylor.edu/beall, or call 254-710-1768.

THE FORT WORTH POETRY SOCIETY'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Will take place on April 17, 2010, 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM. It will be hosted by the Fort Worth Central Library, 500 W. 3rd Street, 76102- 7305. 2 1/2 hour to 10 hour parking at meters (free on Saturday). Validate your ticket at the Circulation Desk for free parking at 3rd Street Garage at 3rd and Taylor, and City Place North Garage, at the corner of Belknap and Taylor Streets. For more information call 817-727- 2684.

First Friday Poetry Reading Series

Friday, March 5th – Billie Duncan. **First Friday Poetry Reading Series** are held at Inprint House, 1520 West Main, near the Menil, in Houston's Museum District. Free and open to the public, hosted by Robert Clark since 1975. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. An open reading follows the featured poet. For more information go to <http://www.inprinthouston.org/first-fridays>, or contact Robert Clark at houstonfirstfri@aol.com or HPFest@aol.com.

Texas Poetry Events

For a list of all poetry events in Texas, please go to <http://texaspoetryevents.info/>

If you have news for the newsletter, please send it directly to Franchesca Alamo at e-mail pnwnewsletter@hotmail.com by the 3rd week of each month.