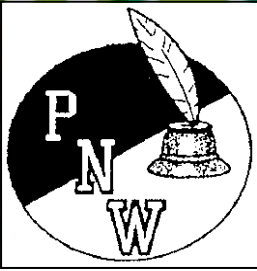


Poets Northwest Newsletter

June 2010



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Poets Northwest 23rd Annual Spring Fling

Saturday June 12th, 2010

3:30 PM – 8:00 PM

At

Prime Time Steak House

9275 FM1960 West, Houston, TX 77070

Tel. # 281.469.1234

(FM1960/Perry Rd - Map and directions enclosed)

Program Part I - 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Dinner - 5:00 - 6:30 PM 🍷

\$15.00 (Tax & Tip included) per person

Pay at the door: **Cash or Check ONLY**

Program Part II - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

34 Categories ~ over \$1300 in prize money

Winners will be notified by post card prior to the event.

Money award winners will read their poems and receive certificates and checks.

All Honorable Mention winners will receive certificates.


**There will be NO MEETING on June 12th at our regular meeting place
(Cypress Creek Christian Community Center)**


🍷 (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED MENU: We need to have your choice of entrée by June 4th, as such, please select 1 of the 3 entrées from attached menu and call/email Alina Alamo with your choice)


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

Member News

 **Nina Pechal** was in the hospital for 10 days in April with pneumonia which turned into emphysema. She is home trying to recover but is still very weak. Please keep Nina in your prayers.

 **Franchesca Alamo** has been elected President of the Student Council at her school – Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart – she is ready for senior year!

 **Dory Maguire** won Third Place in PST April monthly contest with "No Room". Also, *The Inspire Place* by Dory Maguire has made it into the Harris County Public Library. More details at:

<http://catalog.hcpl.net/ipac20/ipac.jsp?session=1M713655001A1.186788&profile=webcat&uri=full=3100001~!1210737~!0&aspect=subtab15&menu=search&source=~!library&view=items&ri=11&sta ffonly=&&aspect=subtab15&menu=search&ri=11#focus>

PST 2010 Summer Conference “The Show Must Go On” – July 8-10 in Dallas, TX

The conference will be hosted by Budd Powell Mahan and Nance Baas. Conference registration and conference information can be found at the following web site:

http://www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org/summer_conf.html

Open to All Writers: Palettes & Quills 2nd Biennial Poetry Chapbook Competition

This year's chapbook contest will be judged by the award-winning poet, Dorianne Laux. Deadline is September 1st, 2010. For more information please see attached copy of the contest guidelines or visit www.palettesnquills.com.

First Friday Poetry Reading Series

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.

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.