

Newsletter



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Saturday July 17th

In person at

Windwood Presbyterian Church

10555 Spring-Cypress Rd. Room A128

Houston, TX 77070

10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

and on ZOOM

Meeting ID 840 0466 3145

Passcode 524264

Hero(ine) and Model Poets

Each poet will read a poem (under 60 lines) from a favorite poet, and then a poem of their own that is somehow inspired by that poem or poet—a similar style, topic, or a tribute to the poet.

Read-Around

Everyone is invited to read 1 or 2 original poems 1 page limit each

Door Prize provided by—???

Member News

✍️ Congratulations to all our PNW members that placed in the National Federation of State Poetry Societies Annual Contest—**Karen Mastracchio, Terry Jude Miller, Mike Owens, Lisa Toth Salinas, Stephen Schwei, and Jenna Pashley Smith.** This included 1st Place wins by Terry, Lisa, and Jenna.

If you have any publishing or personal (illness, death, marriage, baby etc.) news you would like to share, please e-mail it to Lynn Grice, texaspoet53@hotmail.com by the 1st of each month. (Personal news won't be shared on PNW social media sites unless you approve in advance.)

Attention PNW Members that have published collections of their poems!

It's been suggested that we gather a list of our members, and their published collections, in and out of print, for possible inclusion on our website. Start making your list. More information about this coming soon.

Example:

Author

First Collection, Some Small Press 1986 (out of print)

Second Collection, Another Publisher 2013 (available from [publisher/author w/website])

Poetry Society of Texas Annual Contest—Postmark Deadline August 15

Remember, to be eligible to enter all the contests you must be a current (2022) member of PST



Poetry Society of Texas News & Information

All members of Poets Northwest are encouraged to join the Poetry Society of Texas

Dues are only \$25/year (year runs July–June) (DUE NOW) and their Annual Contest/Banquet, Summer Conference and “The Bulletin” will keep you in contact with other Texas poets and offer opportunities you won't want to miss. Membership in PST also means you are a member of the *National Federation of State Poetry Societies* and eligible for their annual contest.

Go to www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org for more information.

View a video at: <https://youtu.be/EfbDalXKyXs>

The 2021 Annual Contest brochure is now available on the PST website.

PST Dues run from July 1 thru June 30, and can be paid via PayPal now, or by check or money order. Just go to Join PST on the PST website for more information and the link.

WordFest Anthology 2021 Waco WordFest

Poem submissions are being accepted from June 1 - Jul 15, 2021

Submit one poem on the theme of **AIR** to wacowordfest@yahoo.com

24 lines or less, no more than 50 characters per line, previously unpublished, include name, complete mailing address, and phone number. Details are at www.wacoartsfest.org/wordfest

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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 \$15 annually (Jan-Dec) & \$7 for 12 & under. Meetings are held the 3rd Saturday of each month from 10 AM to noon at the Windwood Presbyterian Church, 10555 Spring Cypress., Houston, TX 77070., and on ZOOM.