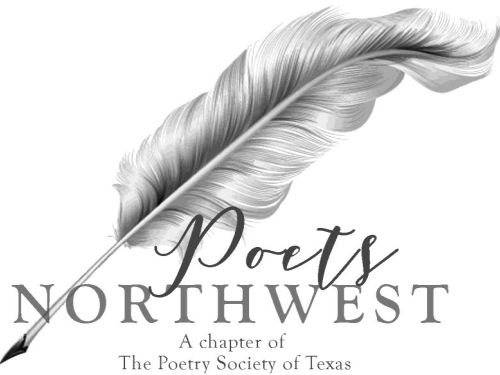


# Newsletter



July 2022

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*Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>*

*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 857 3465 5182

Passcode 504752

The July meeting is “All About Alliteration.”  
Bring a poem that make heavy use of alliteration.

Read-Around

Everyone is invited to read 1 or 2 original poems

1 page limit each

Door Prize provided by—???

## Member News

- ✍ **Eric Blanchard**, winner of the Fort Worth Poetry Society William D. Barney Chapbook Award, will be reading from his book, *Beware of Poet*, at the PST Summer Conference. It is available on Amazon.
- ✍ **Karen Mastracchio's** new book, *Seasoned*, is available for pre-order from Finishing Line Press (<https://www.finishinglinepress.com/product/seasoned-by-karen-betz-mastracchio/>). It will be out in October. Limited edition, so pre-orders determine press run. Order yours now.
- ✍ Long time member, **Annette Schwartz** passed away on November 5, 2021. She was 98.
- ✍ **Patricia Ann Spates, Warren Spates' mother**, passed away on May 9, 2022. Warren shared a beautiful poem he wrote, "For My Mother," in her obituary.

You can find both of their obituaries at Dignity Memorial.com.

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

- ✍ Former member, **Tom Levy**, says hello from Dubai, where he has retired after working there for many years.

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](mailto: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.)

## Congratulations to Our PNW Member Winners in NFSPS Annual Contest!

Maxine Kohanski—1 First Place  
Terry Jude Miller—1 First Place, 2 Second Place, 1 Third Place & 1 HM1  
Michael Owens—1 HM6  
Lisa Toth Salinas—1 First Place, 2 HM1 & 1 HM7  
Stephen Schwei—1 Second, 1 HM2 & 1 HM4  
Jenna Pashley (Smith)—2 Third Place & 1 HM6



## 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) 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](http://www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org) for more information. View a video at: <https://youtu.be/EfbDalXKyx8>

**The 2022 Annual Contest Brochure is up on the PST website!**

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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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 10 AM to noon at the Windwood Presbyterian Church, 10555 Spring Cypress., Houston, TX 77070., and on ZOOM.