



# Poets Northwest Newsletter

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## **April 18 Meeting 10 AM**

**Our meetings will continue on ZOOM until further notice. You should have gotten an e-mail from Mary Turner with the link to the meeting. Meeting ID 583 605 067  
If not, let Mary know.**

**Our April program honors  
National Poetry Month  
by sharing a poem or two from  
your favorite 20th/21st century  
American poet.**

**The second half of our meeting will  
be a Read-Around of 1 or 2 of  
your own poems.**

### **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.

# Poets Northwest 33rd Annual Spring Fling

Judges are judging!

Further details of the actual event will be forthcoming as soon as the Stay at Home is lifted and venues become available again.

We plan to have a Silent Auction at the Spring Fling, again, this year. If you have something you would like to donate, please contact Sharon Young, by May 1.



**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.

**The 2020 Annual Contests Brochure is available on the website under Contests.**

Save the Dates: July 10, 11, & 12  
PST Summer Conference

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