

# Poets Northwest Newsletter

A chapter of the Poetry  
Society of Texas  
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## **Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 A.M.**

**at**

**Windwood Presbyterian Church**

**10555 Spring-Cypress Rd.**

**Houston, TX 77070**

**Room 124**

**What makes for a good critique?  
What are the elements of the craft that we  
value/enjoy? How is our feedback influ-  
enced by the personal versus expertise and  
background in the craft? We will share  
ideas around the art of critique.**

### **Read-Around**

**Everyone is invited to bring**

**1 or 2 original poems**

**1 page limit each**

**Door Prize provided by—???**

**Board Reminder: Meeting after the regular meeting**


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

## Member News

Share your publishing or personal news with your fellow poets. If you have news for the newsletter, please send it directly to Lynn Grice at e-mail [texaspoet53@hotmail.com](mailto:texaspoet53@hotmail.com) or call 281.371.7111 by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

 **Lynn Grice, Lisa Salinas, Donald Samp and Sharon Young** attended the PST Summer Conference in Waco in July. Several of us recorded our poetry for a CD available at a later date.

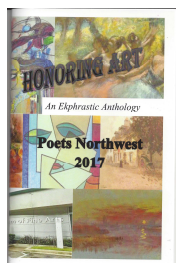
 **Lisa Salinas** won First Place in the PST July Monthly Contest

## Want to Know More About Poetry and Poets?

As a result of last month's meeting, it was proposed that we start putting suggestions for books on poetry and poets in the *Newsletter*. The first book to be suggested is:

*A Primer for Poets and Readers of Poetry* by Gregory Orr

Check your favorite local bookstore, Amazon, or other on-line source for the book(s) listed each month.



PNW's 2017 anthology, *Honoring Art—An Eckphrastic Anthology*, will be available for purchase at the meeting, or contact Lynn Grice. \$6 each.

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### 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. **Current Members—It’s time to Renew!!!** Go to [www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org](http://www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org) for more information.

Good Luck to all the Poets Northwest members that entered the PST Annual Contest.

“History is a cyclic poem written by time upon the memories of man..” ~Percy Bysshe Shelley

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