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### President's Message



Dear Members of NFSPS ~ I have served as President of the National Federation of State Poetry Societies, Inc., for one year of my two year term of 2008-2010, and it was a great honor to be the leading member on the NFSPS team when this wonderful organization held its 50th Convention in June. Speaking of the team, while all of the Executive Board are presently serving the second year of their elected two year terms, and NFSPS past presidents remain in service as Advisors, there are changes regarding the one year term positions on my Appointive Board. Still in place, is the policy that I announced at the start of my administration, that the team members whom you come in contact with will "go the extra mile" for you in every way possible. (The NFSPS team roster is located on page 2 of *Strophes*.)

Now serving the second year of my presidency, I am committed to the continuance of the founder's vision for NFSPS, and I feel positive about the future! ~ Sincerely,

*Nancy Baais*, 28th President of NFSPS

P.S. to Budd Powell Mahan, 26th President of NFSPS: Thank you, for being a mentor to me in NFSPS, as well as in our state society, the Poetry Society of Texas.

### 2009 NFSPS CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 2009 Youth Awards Recipients

Twenty-four NFSPS member state societies were recognized for their efforts in serving the poetic needs of young people by such means as offering reduced membership rates, conducting annual youth poetry contests, publishing the poems of youth contest winners, sending entries to NFSPS' Manningham Trust Competition, providing in-school programs and having an on-line presence. Certificates were awarded to the NFSPS member society in each of the following states: AL, AZ, AR, CO, CT, FL, GA, IN, IA, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX and UT.

#### 2009 Poetry Day/Poetry Month Award Recipients

The NFSPS member society in each of the following seventeen states was awarded a certificate for member participation in programs/presentations celebrating National Poetry Day on October 15th and National Poetry Month during April: AR, CO, CT, IN, IA, KY, LA, MO, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OK, TN, TX, UT and WY.

#### 2009 Special Awards Recipients

Special Awards went to nine NFSPS member state societies that reported poetry activities of their individual members or groups that were entirely altruistic in nature, such as poetry readings to and/or poetry books given to people in hospitals, nursing homes, hospices, prisons, halfway houses and schools, publications in newspapers and magazines, appearances on TV or radio and at state fairs or festivals, and the novel approach of leaving poems in such places as lunch boxes, luggage and even under windshield wipers. The NFSPS member society in each of the following states received a certificate for adherence by its members to the motto "Those who have it, give it away": CT, FL, MS, NJ, OK, OR, PA, TX and UT.

#### 2008 Encore Cover Art Contest Winner

Paula Bird Broadshoe, San Antonio, TX

#### ~ A Note From the NFSPS President ~

The 2010 NFSPS Annual Convention will be held June 10th-13th in Memphis, Tennessee.

#### 2009 Manningham Trust Competition Winners

##### **Junior Division: Grades 6-8** (105 Entries)

- Judge: Vera Ogden Bakker, West Bountiful, UT
- 1 Amanda Valdovinos - (Home Schooled), Damascus, OR
  - 2 Megan Lee - White Station Middle School, Memphis, TN
  - 3 Savannah Swapp - Albion Middle School, Sandy, UT
  - 4 Caroline Jones - The Hockaday School, Dallas, TX
  - 5 Miranda Engebretson - Eureka Springs Middle School, Eureka Springs, AR
- 1 HM** Jonah Fronk - Spring Creek Middle School, Providence, UT
- 2 HM** Savannah Carpenter - North Layton Junior High School, Layton, UT
- 3 HM** Eric O'Risky - North Posey Junior High School, Poseyville, IN
- 4 HM** Kay Dannenmaier - The Hockaday School, Dallas, TX
- 5 HM** Shiloh Brandenstein - North Posey Junior High School, Poseyville, IN

##### **Senior Division: Grades 9-12** (100 Entries)

- Judge: Joseph L. Whitten, Odenville, AL
- 1 Travis Wilson - Spruce Creek High School, Port Orange, FL
  - 2 Hilary Webb - Layton High School, Layton, UT
  - 3 Cassy King - Karl G. Maeser Preparatory School, Lindon, UT
  - 4 Sam Evans - Germantown High School, Germantown, TN
  - 5 Kara Diemer - Grand Junction High School, Grand Junction, CO
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- 2 HM** Jessi Clayton - Rider High School, Wichita Falls, TX
- 3 HM** Michael Horton - Germantown High School, Germantown, TN
- 4 HM** Sarah Grunder - Seminole Ridge High School, Loxahatchee, FL
- 5 HM** Kirsten Therkelson - Southmoore High School, Moore, OK

### "A Superior Convention" June 11 - June 15, 2009

Minnesota weather wasn't the only thing that was just about perfect as we met along the beautiful lakeshore of Lake Superior. The poets and poetry were outstanding the entire long weekend! Thursday night included a dinner cruise that took participants out on Lake Superior through the elevated bridge and around the beautiful harbor of Duluth, ending just in time to watch the sunset and view a large ship entering through the bridge.

The convention excitement continued with an opportunity to stroll the boardwalk with writing workshop leaders John Rezmerski, Diane Glancy, and Doris Stengel, assisted by Duluth natives who talked about the history and the lake. Many new poems were born on the spot!

Our featured speakers contributed greatly to our poetry wealth all Friday and Saturday. Michael Dennis Browne discussed what the poem wants; Connie Wanek contributed gentle and thoughtful ideas about patience in poetry; Anna George Meek bestowed enthusiasm and personal talent while melding poetry and music into a creative magic.

On Sunday Mark Doty, our keynote speaker engaged the other three speakers in a lively panel discussion regarding complexity and simplicity in poetry. On Sunday evening he celebrated the common threads all poetry enjoys and shared some poems from his latest book.

There were open mike readings for all every morning and evening, with a special "you be the judge" competition each time. Winners were invited to give us an encore reading of the selected poem at the Sunday Reception. Convention Madness winners also shared the poems that brought them to Minnesota. At each meal Invocation Poetry winners read their poems. A panel discussion with editors and a writing critique workshop made certain the convention offered something for all types of poetry enthusiasts.

Each night the hotel offered s'mores; day and night everyone was treated to a view of Lake Superior. The entire location has to be included among the natural treasures of our United States, just as we hope everyone treasures their memories of a Superior NFSPS Convention.

~ Susan Stevens Chambers,  
Convention Co-Chairman

#### 2009 College/University Competition Winners

Judges: Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT and Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR

##### **Edna Meudt Memorial Award:**

Sebastian Doherty, Littleton, CO, (Metropolitan State College of Denver) for his chapbook,  
*The Real Donner Party*

##### **Florence Kahn Memorial Award:**

Colin Chambers, Mankato, MN, (University of Minnesota) for his chapbook,  
*Gladly We Are Made Clumsy*

## NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE POETRY SOCIETIES, INC.

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\* Submission Deadlines

### ~ Notes from the *Strophes* Editor ~

I wish to commend Caroline Walton, Editor of the last four issues of *Strophes*, for her sincere efforts in that regard. She is a capable, responsible person, who found herself dealing with many unforeseen circumstances that prevented her from meeting the demands of the job as well as she intended to. I thank Caroline for a smooth transition of power. This is my first issue of *Strophes*!

Research shows that errors have appeared over the years on the *Strophes* masthead regarding Volume & Issue numbering. For historical accuracy, the correct numbering has been determined for this issue and future ones.

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**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF  
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**2009 ANNUAL CONTESTS WINNERS**  
Announced at the 2009 Annual Convention

\* "Members Only" Contests

- 1. NFSPS FOUNDERS AWARD [to honor  
Mary B. Wall] - \$1500, \$500, \$250**  
(475 entries ~ Judge: Dr. Natasha Saje, Salt Lake City, UT)  
**1 Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI ~  
The Story Melting**  
**2 Dawn Fraser Kawahara, Kapaa, HI ~ The  
Kaleidoscope You Gave Me from the Museum of Art...**  
**3 Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN  
~ Tomato Speculation**  
1 HM Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR  
2 HM Marilyn Bushman-Carlton, Draper, UT  
3 HM Polly Opsahl, Rochester Hills, MI  
4 HM Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI  
5 HM-7 HM (Not awarded by Judge)
- 2. WINNERS' CIRCLE AWARD - \$500, \$355,  
\$255**  
(325 entries ~ Judge: Mary Christine Delea,  
Oregon City, OR)  
**1 Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA ~  
After the Rifting Began**  
**2 Bonnita Stahlberg, Eugene, OR ~ Nomads**  
**3 Benita Volk, Denver, CO ~ Sacraments in Red**  
1 HM Colette Tennant, Salem, OR  
2 HM Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT  
3 HM Anna DeMay, Orange Park, FL  
4 HM Sheila Tingley Moore, San Antonio, TX  
5 HM Joyce Kohler, Midway, UT  
6 HM Laurel Winter, Asheville, NC  
7 HM Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA
- 3. ALMEDA BOULTON MEMORIAL  
AWARD - \$500, \$300, \$200**  
(273 entries ~ Judge: Alan Birkelbach, Plano, TX)  
**1 Daniel D. Maguire, Baltimore, MD ~ Crop**  
**2 Shelley Puhak, Baltimore, MD ~ Stalin, alone**  
**3 Salvatore Buttaci, Princeton, WV ~ For Vallejo**  
1 HM Anne Jones, Arlington, TX  
2 HM James F. Ahearn, Rochester, MI  
3 HM Tere Starr, Miami, FL  
4 HM Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN  
5 HM Pat Jordan, Pearl, MS  
6 HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX  
7 HM Robert La Fleur, Ponsford, MN
- 4. MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS AWARD -  
\$160, \$75, \$50**  
(212 entries ~ Judge: Sandra Soli, Oklahoma  
City, OK)  
**1 Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT ~  
Mother in the Month of May**  
**2 Steven Penticuff, Cincinnati, OH ~ Why I  
Replace the Dead Fish Without Telling My  
Daughter**  
**3 Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder,  
MN ~ To My Daughter, Engaged in Love**  
1 HM Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR  
2 HM Susan Norris, Andover, NH  
3 HM Angela Maloy, Muskegon, MI  
4 HM Colette Tennant, Salem, OR  
5 HM Carol Smallwood, Mt. Pleasant, MI  
6 HM Elaine Zimmerman, Hamden, CT  
7 HM Marilyn Johnston, Salem, OR

- \*5. GEORGIA POETRY SOCIETY AWARD -  
\$150, \$75, \$25**  
(104 entries ~ Judge: Dr. James Ryan, Auburn AL)  
**1 Tony Sexton, Harrodsburg, KY ~  
Working Tobacco**  
**2 Nadine Brewer, Storm Lake, IA ~ Mangoes**  
**3 Carol Mauriello, Olive Hill, KY ~ What If?**  
1 HM Jan Martin Harris, Birmingham, AL  
2 HM Pepper Trail, Ashland, OR  
3 HM Alice Norman, Holly Hills, FL  
4 HM-7 HM (Not awarded by Judge)

- \*6. POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS AWARD  
- \$125, \$50, \$25**  
(225 entries ~ Judge: Rosalyn Ostler, Salt Lake  
City, UT)  
**1 Ron Wallace, Durant, OK ~ Owl**  
**2 Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT ~ Dreaming in Ice**  
**3 N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT ~  
The Gambler**  
1 HM Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT  
2 HM James F. Ahearn, Rochester, MI  
3 HM Marion Brimm Rewey, Verona, WI  
4 HM Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT  
5 HM Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ  
6 HM Eileen McCabe, Salt Lake City, UT  
7 HM LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT

- \*7. JACK MURPHY MEMORIAL AWARD -  
\$100, \$60, \$40**  
(247 entries ~ Judge: T. J. Beitelman, Pelham,  
AL)  
**1 Viktor Tichy, Iowa City, IA ~ Fall of an Angel**  
**2 Beth Honeycutt, Denton, TX ~  
Picture an Archer**  
**3 Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT ~  
Icarus**  
1 HM Catherine McGuire, Sweet Home, OR  
2 HM Betty Ann Whitney, Wesley Chapel, FL  
3 HM Roberta Marggraff, Waterbury, CT  
4 HM Pepper Trail, Ashland, OR  
5 HM Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA  
6 HM Dawn Fraser Kawahara, Kapaa, HI  
7 HM Ray Reeder, Albuquerque, NM

- \*8. UTAH STATE POETRY SOCIETY  
AWARD - \$100, \$60, \$40**  
(181 entries ~ Judge: Robert J. Frederickson,  
West Valley City, UT)  
**1 Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN ~  
A House with Loud Memories**  
**2 Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT ~  
Wagon Wheels in Reverse**  
**3 Gay N. Blanchard, Holladay, UT ~ This Land**  
1 HM Deborah Filanowski, Pine Grove, PA  
2 HM Juanita B. Watts, Layton, UT  
3 HM Markay Brown, Springville, UT  
4 HM Catherine L'Herisson, Garland, TX  
5 HM Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT  
6 HM Rosemary Dunn Moeller, St. Lawrence, SD  
7 HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

- 9. FLORIDA STATE POETS ASSOCIA-  
TION, INC. AWARD - \$100, \$50, \$25**  
(141 entries ~ Judge: Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN)  
**1 Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA ~ The Caretaker**  
**2 Marion Brimm Rewey, Verona, WI ~ Eve**  
**3 Glenn Holloway, Naperville, IL ~  
Hilton Hollingsworth III**  
1 HM Beverly Monestier, San Antonio, TX  
2 HM Ann Gasser, West Reading, PA

- 3 HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL  
4 HM Geraldine C. Felt, Layton, UT  
5 HM Salvatore Buttaci, Princeton, WV  
6 HM Kitty Yeager, Arkadelphia, AR  
7 HM Claire van Breemen Downes, St. Cloud, MN

- 10. ALABAMA STATE POETRY SOCIETY  
AWARD - \$75, \$50, \$25**  
(188 entries ~ Judge: Russell H. Strauss,  
Memphis, TN)  
**1 Rosemary Dunn Moeller, St. Lawrence, SD ~  
Afternoon Accident While Heading Back to College**  
**2 Shirley Elliott Cosby, Emory, TX ~  
The Cricket**  
**3 Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL ~  
You Never Know**  
1 HM Diane Glancy, Shawnee Mission, KS  
2 HM Ann Gasser, West Reading, PA  
3 HM Irvin Milowe, Coconut Grove, FL  
4 HM Polly Opsahl, Rochester Hills, MI  
5 HM Evelyn Cory Appelbee, Henderson, TX  
6 HM John K. Ottley, Jr., Alpharetta, GA  
7 HM Patricia Barnes, Grosse Ile, MI

- \*11. TWO LADIES FROM TEXAS AWARD -  
\$60, \$40, \$20**  
(127 entries ~ Judge: Dr. Melissa K. Downes,  
Clarion, PA)  
**1 Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI ~ What If**  
**2 Sandy Jensen, Eugene, OR ~  
Elegy for Sam Two Bells**  
**3. Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder,  
MN ~ Slipping to Grey**  
1 HM Elaine Costanzo, New Concord, OH  
2 HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR  
3 HM Jeanine Mah, Memphis, TN  
4 HM Beverly Monestier, San Antonio, TX  
5 HM Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL  
6 HM Claudine Harris, Iowa City, IA  
7 HM Ron Self, Columbus, GA

- 12. INDIANA STATE FEDERATION OF  
POETRY CLUBS AWARD - \$50, \$35, \$25**  
(219 entries ~ Judge: Kevin Clark, Holladay, UT)  
**1 Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI ~  
The House that Swallowed Us**  
**2 Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID ~  
Differential Erosion**  
**3 Eric H. Read, Brigham City, UT ~ Vision Quest**  
1 HM Pat Durmon, Norfolk, AR  
2 HM Angela Maloy, Muskegon, MI  
3 HM Benita Volk, Denver, CO  
4 HM Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT  
5 HM Shirley Elliott Cosby, Emory, TX  
6 HM Dennis Herschbach, Two Harbors, MN  
7 HM Anthony Ryan, Belfast, ME

- \*13. PLAINS POETS AWARD - \$50, \$35, \$15**  
(187 entries ~ Judge: Elaine W. Christensen,  
Sandy, UT)  
**1 Beverly Monestier, San Antonio, TX ~ Totem**  
**2 Kennette Harrison, San Diego, CA ~  
Cleft Palate, Cleft Heart**  
**3 Jim Barton, Huttig, AR ~ Running Buddies**  
1 HM J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX  
2 HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA  
3 HM Alvin M. Laster, Southbury, CT  
4 HM Julie Nelson, Orem, UT  
5 HM Colette Tennant, Salem, OR  
6 HM Joshua Conklin, Oxford, CT  
7 HM Pat King, Albia, IA

**14. ARIZONA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(244 entries ~ Judge: Nancy Hanks Baird, Salt Lake City, UT)

**1 Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT** ~ *Poetry Redux***2 Marilyn Joy, Talent, OR** ~ *Night Dances***3 Marilyn Stacy, Dallas, TX** ~*The Liberation of Josie Wales*

1 HM Daniel D. Maguire, Baltimore, MD

2 HM David Simms, Berryville, VA

3 HM Angela Foster, Pine City, MN

4 HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

5 HM Benita Volk, Denver, CO

6 HM Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL

7 HM Steven Penticuff, Cincinnati, OH

**15. WILLIAM STAFFORD MEMORIAL AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(217 entries ~ Judge: Carolyn Walker, Clarkston, MI)

**1 Eric H. Read, Brigham City, UT** ~*The Pirate's Secret Box***2 Patricia Barnes, Grosse Ile, MI** ~*Library after Hours***3 Robert La Fleur, Ponsford, MN** ~ *The Gift*

1 HM Anna DeMay, Orange Park, FL

2 HM Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT

3 HM Mary Ann Meiling, Midvale, UT

4 HM Ron Self, Columbus, GA

5 HM Shirley Elliott Cosby, Emory, TX

6 HM Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID

7 HM Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN

**16. NEVADA POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(118 entries ~ Judge: Nancy Baass, Victoria, TX)

**1 Esther Towns, Selma, IN** ~*A Sonnet for Summer's Beauty***2 Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL** ~*A Ragged Bouquet***3 Lynda La Rocca, Twin Lakes, CO** ~*Father's Day*

1 HM Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK

2 HM Geneva Fulgham, Bellaire, TX

3 HM Verna Lee Hinegardner, Conway, AR

4 HM Jeani Picklesimer, Ashland, KY

5 HM Marianne McNeil Logan, Amarillo, TX

6 HM Beverly Stanislawski, Crown Point, IN

7 HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

**17. NEW YORK POETRY FORUM AWARD: \$50, \$30, \$20**

(237 entries ~ Judge: Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI)

**1 Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR** ~*The Eighth Graders, After a Day of Poetry***2 Deana Chadwell, Central Point, OR** ~*The Opening***3 Anne Jones, Arlington, TX** ~ *Word Hoard*

1 HM Benita Volk, Denver, CO

2 HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

3 HM Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX

4 HM Dane Sorens, Hebron, CT

5 HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR

6 HM Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN

7 HM Carolyn Walker, Clarkston, MI

**18. LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA POETS AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(225 entries ~ Judge: DeAnna Spurlock, Carlisle, PA)

**1 Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT** ~*Circling the Sun***2 Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL** ~*Birthmarks***3 Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN** ~*Studying Tongues*

1 HM Ron Self, Columbus, GA

2 HM Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA

3 HM Jim Barton, Huttig, AR

4 HM Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX

5 HM Jan Spence, Denton, TX

6 HM Claire van Breemen Downes, St. Cloud, MN

7 HM Virginia Mortenson, Des Moines, IA

**19. WEST VIRGINIA POETRY SOCIETY AWARD -- \$50, \$30, \$20**

(89 entries ~ Judge: Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN)

**1 Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX** ~*A Painting of Things in Relation***2 Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID** ~ *banjo rain***3 Maryelizabeth Christine, Louisville, KY** ~*Appalachian*

1 HM Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ

2 HM Colette Tennant, Salem, OR

3 HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

4 HM Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR

5 HM Evelyn Corry Appelbee, Henderson, TX

6 HM Constance Snyder, East Thetford, VT

7 HM Helen Keith Beaman, Provo, UT

**\*20. COLUMBINE POETS OF COLORADO - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(208 entries ~ Judge Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ)

**1 Carolyn Walker, Clarkston, MI** ~*When Trees Pray***2 Benita Volk, Denver, CO** ~ *Patriarchs***3 Pepper Trail, Ashland, OR** ~ *Cottonwoods*

1 HM Clela Reed, Athens, GA

2 HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

3 HM Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT

4 HM Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR

5 HM Viktor Tichy, Iowa City, IA

6 HM Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI

7 HM Evelyn Corry Appelbee, Henderson, TX

**21. MORTON D. PROUTY & ELSIE S. PROUTY MEMORIAL AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(218 entries ~ Judge: Elaine Ipson, Stansbury Park, UT)

**1 Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ** ~*Rannoch Moor, Scotland***2 Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA** ~ *The Nest***3 Geneva Fulgham, Bellaire, TX** ~ *Bird Fight*

1 HM M. M. Fisher, Salt Lake City, UT

2 HM Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX

3 HM Luise Putcamp, Salt Lake City, UT

4 HM Genevieve Didier DeWitt, Baton Rouge, LA

5 HM Shirley Elliott Cosby, Emory, TX

6 HM Beverly Monestier, San Antonio, TX

7 HM Emery L. Campbell, Lawrenceville, GA

**\*22. POETS' ROUNDTABLE OF ARKANSAS AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(155 entries ~ Judge: Pat King, Albia, IA)

**1 Jeanne Couvillon-Powell, Houston, TX** ~*Page from a Candle-Keeper's Diary***2 Steven Penticuff, Cincinnati, OH** ~ *Authenticity***3 Viktor Tichy, Iowa City, IA** ~*Time-Warp on the Bridge of King Charles*

1 HM Esther Leiper-Estabrooks, Jefferson, NH

2 HM Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Merseyside, England

3 HM Patricia Grimm, Sunset, UT

4 HM Meredith R. Cook, Blue Earth, MN

5 HM Betty Ann Whitney, Wesley Chapel, FL

6 HM Joyce Kohler, Midway, UT

7 HM Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA

**23. CSPS JAMES E. MACWHINNEY MEMORIAL AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20**

(99 entries ~ Judge: Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN)

**1 Sally Adkins, Greenville, SC** ~*Reflection of a Myth***2 Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR** ~*A Bridge So Near***3 Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL** ~ *Sailing Man*

1 HM Pat Bastendorf, Panama City, FL

2 HM Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Merseyside, England

3 HM Patricia Barnes, Grosse Ile, MI

4 HM Lee Ann Russell, Springfield, MO

5 HM Benita Volk, Denver, CO

6 HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

7 HM Shirley Reese, Selma, IN

**24. OHIO AWARD - \$50, \$25, \$15**

(251 entries ~ Judge: Tammy Uzzetta, Auburn, AL)

**1 Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ** ~*The Scullery Maid***2 Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT** ~*Winter Reflection***3 Kennette Harrison, San Diego, CA** ~ *My Father*

1 HM Betty Prisdorf, Merritt Island, FL

2 HM Candace Simar, Pequot Lakes, MN

3 HM Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa TX

4 HM John McBride, Bettendorf, IA

5 HM Catherine McGuire, Sweet Home, OR

6 HM-7 HM (Not awarded by Judge)

**25. HUMOROUS POETRY AWARD - \$35, \$25, \$15**

(195 entries ~ Judge: Helen Keith Beaman, Provo, UT)

**1 LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT** ~*Seniors Breakfast Special***2 Mildred Vorpahl Baass, Victoria, TX** ~*A Czech Checks for Specs***3 Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA** ~*Shades of Picasso*

1 HM Martha P. Morrise, Roy, UT

2 HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

3 HM Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX

4 HM Catherine McGuire, Sweet Home, OR

5 HM Ann Gasser, West Reading, PA

6 HM Karen Keith Gibson, Provo, UT

7 HM Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT

**26. OUR AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE AWARD - \$35, \$25, \$15**

(157 entries ~ Judge: Dr. Katherine Perry, Montgomery, AL)

**1 Sarah Hull Gurley, Germantown, TN** ~ *Traces***2 Markay Brown, Springville, UT** ~ *Torn***3 Eric H. Read, Brigham City, UT** ~*The Grandfathers Speak*

1 HM John K. Ottley, Jr., Alpharetta, GA

2 HM Marilyn Stacy, Dallas, TX

3 HM Benita Volk, Denver, CO

4 HM Evelyn Corry Appelbee, Henderson, TX

5 HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

6 HM Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN  
7 HM Rosemary Dunn Moeller, St. Lawrence, SD

**27. MISSOURI STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$35, \$25, \$15**

(221 entries ~ Judge Geraldine C. Felt, Layton, UT)

- 1 **Sue Rangelack, Murray, UT** ~  
*Summer Passion Burst*  
2 **Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL** ~ *Influential*  
3 **Kathy Larson, Salt Lake City, UT** ~  
*Gathering*  
1 HM Polly Opsahl, Rochester Hills, MI  
2 HM Claire Ottenstein-Ross, Pinehurst, TX  
3 HM Marilyn Downing, Hershey, PA  
4 HM Madelyn Eastlund, Beverly Hills, FL  
5 HM Salvatore Buttaci, Princeton, WV  
6 HM N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT  
7 HM Ruth Schmidt-Baeumler, Two Harbors, MN

**\*28. JOSEPH V. HICKEY MEMORIAL AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(148 entries ~ Judge: Laurel Winter, Asheville, NC)

- 1 **Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID** ~  
*A Proposition*  
2 **Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT** ~  
*What We Are, What We Are Not*  
3 **Charlotte Abernathy, Ashland, OR** ~  
*Steeplejack, Engineer, Father*  
1 HM Angela Maloy, Muskegon, MI  
2 HM Sue Rangelack, Murray, UT  
3 HM Caroline Walton, Crystal River, FL  
4 HM Pat Durmon, Norfolk, AR  
5 HM Patricia Barnes, Grosse Ile, MI  
6 HM Beverly Monestier, San Antonio, TX  
7 HM Mary Rudbeck Stanko, London, Ontario, Canada

**29. LOUISIANA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(130 entries ~ Judge: Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL)

- 1 **Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA** ~  
*A Ballade for a Past Yet to Be*  
2 **Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID** ~ *Wall Arch*  
3 **Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN** ~  
*Cast On/Cast Off*  
1 HM Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
2 HM Joshua Conklin, Oxford CT  
3 HM Daniel D. Maguire, Baltimore, MD  
4 HM Betty Prisdorf, Merritt Island, FL  
5 HM Susan Maxwell Campbell, Mansfield, TX  
6 HM Mary Christine Delea, Oregon City, OR  
7 HM Margo LaGattuta, Rochester, MI

**30. BARBARA STEVENS MEMORIAL AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(245 entries ~ Judge: Jory Mikkelsen, Bellingham, WA)

- 1 **Mary Willette Hughes, Waite Park, MN** ~  
*Hangin' Out*  
2 **J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX** ~  
*Sancho Panza Frets in Sweetwater*  
3 **Sally M. Ortiz, Denver, CO** ~  
*End of the Measure - Dance 5 6 7...*  
1 HM Theda Bassett, Salt Lake City, UT  
2 HM Pauline Mounsey, Sun City West, AZ  
3 HM Evelyn Corry Appelbee, Henderson, TX  
4 HM Linda M. Johnson, Esko, MN  
5 HM Karin Bradberry, Albuquerque, NM  
6 HM M. M. Fisher, Salt Lake City, UT  
7 HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

**31. KENTUCKY STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(124 entries ~ Judge: Linda Banks, Mesquite, TX)

- 1 **Clark Elliott, Oklahoma City, OK** ~  
*Spelling Bee*  
2 **Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL** ~  
*Grandma's Dinners*  
3 **Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK** ~  
*Clueless and Shoeless*  
1 HM Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL  
2 HM T. L. Hensel, Alpharetta, GA  
3 HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX  
4 HM Mable Jean Caylor, Pennville, IN  
5 HM Eugene Shea, Hanna, WY  
6 HM Jeani Picklesimer, Ashland, KY  
7 HM Betty Mol, Austin, TX

**\*32. DORMAN JOHN GRACE MEMORIAL AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(138 entries ~ Judge: Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX)

- 1 **Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL** ~  
*Under the Bougainvillea*  
2 **Kitty Yeager, Arkadelphia, AR** ~  
*A Singing in Piney Woods*  
3 **Doyle R. Wood, Wichita Falls, TX** ~ *Lured*  
1 HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR  
2 HM N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT  
3 HM Mary Mullen, Reading, MA  
4 HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA  
5 HM Marilyn Larrabee, Bountiful, UT  
6 HM Marion Brimm Rewey, Verona, WI  
7 HM Maxine B. Kohanski, Houston, TX

**\*33. POETRY SOCIETY OF OKLAHOMA LEWIS TURCO AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(35 entries ~ Judge: Jeremy M. Downes, Auburn, AL)

- 1 **Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR** ~  
*Looking for Walt Whitman*  
2 **Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA** ~ *An Ode for Two: Son of Kenya, Daughter of Kansas*  
3 **Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX** ~  
*Heroes and the Random Way of Chance*  
1 HM Deana Chadwell, Central Point, OR  
2 HM C. A. Rose, Gray, TN  
3 HM Annie Mueller, Leadville, CO  
4 HM Lynda La Rocca, Twin Lakes, CO  
5 HM David Hedges, West Linn, OR  
6 HM Valerie Esker, Beverly Hills, FL  
7 HM Shirley Nelson, Port Orford, OR

**34. MINUTE AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(108 entries ~ Judge: Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA)

- 1 **Martha P. Morrise, Roy, UT** ~ *Malocclusion*  
2 **Grace Diane Jensen, Glenwood, UT** ~  
*Daily Exercise*  
3 **Shirley Elliott Cosby, Emory, TX** ~ *Departure*  
1 HM Vera Ogden Bakker, West Bountiful, UT  
2 HM Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT  
3 HM Jeanne Losey, Shelbyville, IN  
4 HM Claire Ottenstein-Ross, Pinehurst, TX  
5 HM Marilyn Stacy, Dallas, TX  
6 HM Pat Durmon, Norfolk, AR  
7 HM Sue Rangelack, Murray, UT

**35. SAVE OUR EARTH AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(156 entries ~ Judge: Polly Opsahl, Rochester Hills, MI)

- 1 **Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL** ~ *Red Tide*  
2 **Karin Bradberry, Albuquerque, NM** ~

*The Undoing*

**3 Rosemary Dunn Moeller, St. Lawrence, SD** ~  
*A Grench of Frogs*

- 1 HM Marion Brimm Rewey, Verona, WI  
2 HM Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT  
3 HM Alice B. Couch, Noblesville, IN  
4 HM Jim Barton, Huttig, AR  
5 HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA  
6 HM Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX  
7 HM Marilyn Larrabee, Bountiful, UT

**36. BEN LOMOND POETS AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(150 entries ~ Judge: Colette Tennant, Salem, OR)

- 1 **Sue Rangelack, Murray, UT** ~  
*Musings of the Night Owl*  
2 **Maryelizabeth Christine, Louisville, KY** ~  
*She Looks for the Horizon among the Rows of Strip Mines*  
3 **Joyce Gregor, Westcliffe, CO** ~  
*Southern Blue Ridge*  
1 HM Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT  
2 HM Ray Reeder, Albuquerque, NM  
3 HM Pepper Trail, Ashland, OR  
4 HM Andrea L. Watson, Taos, NM  
5 HM Julie Nelson, Orem, UT  
6 HM Anne Jones, Arlington, TX  
7 HM Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN

**37. MASSACHUSETTS STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(225 entries ~ Judge: Dr. J. M. Zarowiecki, Auburn, AL)

- 1 **Viktor Tichy, Iowa City, IA** ~  
*Paper Wings of August*  
2 **Sue Rangelack, Murray, UT** ~ *Sky Writing*  
3 **Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX** ~  
*Before Dancing with the Stars*  
1 HM Gary Hanna, Dagsboro, DE  
2 HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN  
3 HM-7 HM (not awarded by Judge)

**\*38. POETRY SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE DORSIMBRA AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(76 entries ~ Judge: J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX)

- 1 **Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT** ~  
*The Danger of Shadows*  
2 **Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Merseyside, England** ~ *Midnight*  
3 **Audrey Cooke, Daytona Beach, FL** ~  
*Hyannisport Mourning*  
1 HM Clarence P. Socwell, Ogden, UT  
2 HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL  
3 HM Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK  
4 HM Malu Graham, Memphis, TN  
5 HM N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT  
6 HM Roberta Hung, Salem, MA  
7 HM Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL

**39. POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(204 entries ~ Judge: Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR)

- 1 **Susan Maxwell Campbell, Mansfield, TX** ~  
*July 7, 2008: Jane's Birthday*  
2 **Sandy Jensen, Eugene, OR** ~  
*If I Could Only See One Color*  
3 **Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT** ~  
*Red Alert*  
1 HM Kennette Harrison, San Diego, CA  
2 HM Daniel D. Maguire, Baltimore, MD

- 3 HM Pat King, Albia, IA  
 4 HM Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT  
 5 HM Patricia Whiting, West Palm Beach, FL  
 6 HM Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
 7 HM M. M. Fisher, Salt Lake City, UT

**40. LIGHTEN YOUR LIFE AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(175 entries ~ Judge: Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT)

- 1 Jeanne Losey, Shelbyville, IN** ~  
*There Was a Young Lady Named Mae*  
**2 Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX** ~  
*Old Man's Lament*  
**3 Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX** ~  
*Mending the Fence Line in Winter*  
 1 HM Martha P. Morrise, Roy, UT  
 2 HM LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT  
 3 HM Jan Blankenburg, Donnellson, IA  
 4 HM N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT  
 5 HM Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Merseyside, England  
 6 HM Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA  
 7 HM Susanna Roma, Birdsboro, PA

**41. IOWA POETRY ASSOCIATION AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(183 entries ~ Judge: Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL)

- 1 Kitty Yeager, Arkadelphia, AR** ~ *Fairy Dance*  
**2 Marilyn Joy, Talent, OR** ~ *Slow Slug*  
**3 Elizabeth Lackmann, Albuquerque, NM** ~  
*Lullaby*  
 1 HM Sally Adkins, Greenville, SC  
 2 HM Lisa Salinas, Spring, TX  
 3 HM Jennifer Clark, Kalamazoo, MI  
 4 HM Daniel D. Maguire, Baltimore, MD  
 5 HM Joyce Kohler, Midway, UT  
 6 HM Ray Reeder, Albuquerque, NM  
 7 HM Caroline Walton, Crystal River, FL

**\*42. NEW JERSEY POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(203 entries ~ Judge: R. R. Riecki, Auburn, AL)

- 1 Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT** ~  
*Needles and Girls*  
**2 Audrey Cooke, Daytona Beach, FL** ~  
*The Sun Is Bad for You*  
**3 Glenn Pruden, Draper, UT** ~  
*Speaking of Flowers*  
 1 HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT  
 2 HM Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX  
 3 HM Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID  
 4 HM Robert V. Davis, Ogden, UT  
 5 HM Marilyn Joy, Talent, OR  
 6 HM Karen Keith Gibson, Provo, UT  
 7 HM LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT

**43. CONNECTICUT POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(144 entries ~ Judge: Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK)

- 1 Glenna Glee, Anderson, IN** ~ *Monday Lunch*  
**2 Larry Hand, Woodstock, GA** ~  
*Bread of Deceit*  
**3 John K. Ottley, Jr., Alpharetta, GA** ~  
*A Noise from the Temple*  
 1 HM Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ  
 2 HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN  
 3 HM Carol LoCastro, Salida, CO  
 4 HM Shirley Reese, Selma, IN  
 5 HM Meredith R. Cook, Blue Earth, MN

- 6 HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL  
 7 HM Geneva Fulgham, Bellaire, TX

**\*44. WYOPOETS AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(172 entries ~ Judge: Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX)

- 1 Gary Hanna, Dagsboro, DE** ~ *Heron*  
**2 Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX** ~  
*The Baptism of Grackles*  
**3 Elaine W. Christensen, Sandy, UT** ~  
*The Snake*  
 1 HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO  
 2 HM Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
 3 HM Viktor Tichy, Iowa City, IA  
 4 HM Ginny Lowe Connors, West Hartford, CT  
 5 HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN  
 6 HM James F. Ahearn, Rochester, MI  
 7 HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

**\*45. NEBRASKA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(171 entries ~ Judge: Theda Bassett, Salt Lake City, UT)

- 1 Kathryn E. Clement, Mesa, AZ** ~ *Like Bread*  
**2 Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR** ~ *Witness*  
**3 Pauline Mounsey, Sun City West, AZ** ~  
*After Father Left*  
 1 HM Kennette Harrison, San Diego, CA  
 2 HM Diane Glancy, Shawnee Mission, KS  
 3 HM Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
 4 HM Salvatore Buttaci, Princeton, WV  
 5 HM Ann Gasser, West Reading, PA  
 6 HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX  
 7 HM Vera Ogden Bakker, West Bountiful, UT

**46. MISSISSIPPI POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(68 entries ~ Judge: Madelyn Eastlund, Beverly Hills, FL)

- 1 Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT** ~ *Invitation*  
**2 Gail Teachworth, Crystal River, FL** ~  
*The Lure of a Lute*  
**3 Ann Gasser, West Reading, PA** ~  
*Observations of an Insomniac*  
 1 HM Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK  
 2 HM Lee Carroll, Fort Worth, TX  
 3 HM Marilyn Stacy, Dallas, TX  
 4 HM LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT  
 5 HM Heather Duncan, Provo, UT  
 6 HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO  
 7 HM Jacqueline Williams, Mesa, AZ

**47. ILLINOIS STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(214 entries ~ N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT)

- 1 Patricia Barnes, Grosse Ile, MI** ~ *Browsing*  
**2 Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT** ~ *Wildcat Strike*  
**3 Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN** ~  
*Riding Lady Luck*  
 1 HM Evelyn Corry Appelbee, Henderson, TX  
 2 HM Rebecca Bailey, Grangeville, ID  
 3 HM Mary Rudbeck Stanko, London, Ontario, Canada  
 4 HM Sandy Jensen, Eugene, OR  
 5 HM Rosemary Dunn Moeller, St. Lawrence, SD  
 6 HM Pat King, Albia, IA  
 7 HM Pat Jordan, Pearl, MS

**\*48. GINGERBREAD POETS AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(140 entries ~ Judge: Lucille Morgan Wilson,

Des Moines, IA)

- 1 LaVerna B. Johnson, St. George, UT** ~  
*Oleander Snow from Yucca Flat*  
**2 Merrijane Rice, Bountiful, UT** ~  
*Autumn Calls*  
**3 Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT** ~  
*Lamentation*  
 1 HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas TX  
 2 HM Katherine Hogan, Forest Hills, NY  
 3 HM Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN  
 4 HM Caroline Walton, Crystal River, FL  
 5 HM Theda Bassett, Salt Lake City, UT  
 6 HM Mary Mullen, Reading, MA  
 7 HM Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX

**\*49. SAN ANTONIO POETS ASSOCIATION AWARD - \$25, \$20, \$15**

(212 entries ~ Judge: Sherry Chandler, Paris, KY)

- 1 Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT** ~  
*Gathering Place*  
**2 Emma Jones Cottrell, Duluth, GA** ~ *If...*  
**3 Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO** ~ *But Sometimes It Takes a Long Time*  
 1 HM Lou Layman, Rifle, CO  
 2 HM Sarah Hull Gurley, Germantown, TN  
 3 HM Juanita B. Watts, Layton, UT  
 4 HM Carolyn Walker, Clarkston, MI  
 5 HM Clarence P. Socwell, Ogden, UT  
 6 HM Sharon Price Anderson, Orem, UT  
 7 HM Shirley Blackwell, Los Lunas, NM

**50. STUDENT AWARD - \$50, \$30, \$20 & \$5 per HM**

(326 entries ~ Judge: David Hedges, West Linn, OR)

- 1 Rachel Callaway, Wolfforth, TX** ~  
*Tempestuous Hearts*  
**2 Maria Maraekova, Highland, UT** ~  
*When I Came to America*  
**3 Erica Schlarb, Wichita Falls, TX** ~ *I'd Lie*  
 1 HM Caitlin Mehl, Benbrook, TX  
 2 HM Jacey Jacobs, Orem, UT  
 3 HM Lily Cutler, Clive, IA  
 4 HM Kristen Hadley, Mansfield, TX  
 5 HM Tiffany Buban, Mystic, IA  
 6 HM Brittney Swensen, Audubon, IA  
 7 HM Corrine Bocchino, Spring, TX

**CONVENTION MADNESS CONTEST WINNERS**

Judge: Cathy Tenzo, Seattle, WA

**1st Place:** Naomi Stroud Simmons, Fort Worth, TX

**2nd Place:** Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT

**3rd Place:** Suz Anne Wipperling, Brainerd, MN

**Honorable Mentions** (Unranked, Alphabetical Order):

Jim Barton, Huttig, AR  
 Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT  
 Sue Ranglack, Murray, UT  
 David Simms, Berryville, VA  
 David Simms, Berryville, VA  
 Margaret Lynch Siskow, Sigourney, IA  
 N. Colwell Snell, Salt Lake City, UT  
 Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
 Doris Stengel, Brainerd, MN  
 Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

**INVOCATION POETRY CONTEST WINNERS**

Judge: Debbie W. Parvin, Fancy Gap, VA

Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN  
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 Ron Self, Columbus, GA  
 Rose Ann Spaith, Columbus, OH  
 Colette Tennant, Salem, OR

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- ~ pages numbered, one poem, one column per page
- ~ may include previously published poems (acknowledgments on separate sheet)
- ~ simultaneous and multiple submissions permitted
- ~ enclosed in a plain file folder and/or held by a manuscript clip, NO staples or binding

Include two title pages, one with no author ID, the other with name, address, phone number, email address, and, if applicable, state poetry society membership. Include a table of contents.

Manuscripts will NOT be returned. Entrants who enclose a business-size self-addressed, stamped envelope, or provide an email address, will be notified of the results in January 2010.

Do NOT send by certified or registered mail. Do NOT send disks.

Notify us immediately if your manuscript is accepted elsewhere.

All manuscripts will be reviewed for compliance with guidelines and overall quality by the competition chair. Approximately 100 will be sent, without identification or acknowledgments, to an independent judge, who will remain anonymous until the results are announced.

The winning manuscript will be published by the NFSPS Press, and the book will be available for sale at NFSPS annual convention in June 2010. The author will also be awarded \$1,000 plus 50 copies of the book.

#### ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSIONS:

Eleanor Berry, Chair,  
NFSPS Stevens Poetry Manuscript Competition,  
22614 N. Santiam Hwy., Lyons, OR 97358

#### SUBMISSION PERIOD: August 1-October 15, 2009 (postmark deadline)

ENTRY FEE: \$20 for NFSPS members, \$25 for nonmembers (Members of state poetry societies affiliated with NFSPS are members.)

#### 2008 Stevens Manuscript Competition

##### Winner:

Dana Sonnenschein of Bethany, CT,  
for her book, *Bear Country*

Her book is available for purchase, as well as the winning Stevens books published in the past fifteen years. All are listed on the NFSPS website, www.nfspd.com.

### NEWS

#### from NFSPS Member State Societies

**GEORGIA POETRY SOCIETY** held its quarterly meeting on April 25, 2009, at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education in Athens, GA. Morning business concluded, members read a personally penned poem of their choosing. The featured A.M. poet, Ginger Murchieson, was enthusiastically and warmly received with much appreciation for her clear and wonderful readings. The afternoon

showcased a poetry workshop under the expert leadership of outgoing President, Ron Self, who entitled his presentation, "The Right Word".

~ *Francie Smith-Rountree, Reporter*

**INDIANA STATE FEDERATION OF POETRY CLUBS** met May 30, 2009, at the Anderson Public Library, sponsored by the Anderson Poetry Corner. Election was held and Shirley Reese was installed for her second term as Secretary, Georganna Tresslar as Treasurer, and Glenna Glee elected to complete the term of the resigning President. Twenty six members attended and a workshop on "Punctuation" was conducted by Esther Towns. The Fall Poets Rendezvous held in October to celebrate "Poetry Day" will be at Spring Mill State Park, October 23-25, 2009, with Indiana State Poet Laureate, Norbert Krapf, as the Keynote Speaker. Amy Jo Zook will present a workshop on "Critique." We will be using a musical theme and Peggy Martin, our Premier Poet, will perform with her cello. Six ISFPC members were in attendance at the NFSPS Convention and 15 awards were won by Indiana, four of which were first places. Indiana has 118 members at present. Dues are now \$18 per year.

~ *Glenna Glee, President*

**KENTUCKY STATE POETRY SOCIETY** annual meeting and conference weekend will be October 16-18, 2009, at Pine Mountain State Park in Pineville, Kentucky. Gurney Norman, Kentucky Poet Laureate, will present a program, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, on Saturday, October 17. That same day, there will be an afternoon workshop by Frank X. Walker, Affrilachian poet and writer-in-residence at Northern Kentucky University. Walker will also be the keynote speaker at our Contest Awards Banquet. He is a winner of the prestigious Lannan Literary Fellowship Award, and his latest book is called *When Winter Come: the Ascension of York*, his fourth book of poetry. This work is grounded in history and Walker's imagination; it follows a slave who is little known but was a participant on the Lewis and Clark expedition. This is a sequel to *Buffalo Dance: the Journey of York*, Walker's previous book. ~ *Carol Mauriello, President*

**MAINE POETS SOCIETY** May meeting was held at the Muddy Rudder Restaurant in Brewer. Dawn Potter was member judge and judged the members' poems in terza-rima form. She read from her book, *Tracing Paradise: Two Years in Harmony with John Milton*. Guest Weslea Sidon judged poems "Inspired by Another Poem" and also read from her own work. Our next meeting is Saturday, September 19, 2009, at the Maple Hill Farm Inn in Hallowell. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will end at approximately 3:00 p.m., with a reading in the round. Guests are welcome. There is a registration fee which includes the cost of light breakfast and full lunch. Member judge will be Ruth Bookey, who has long been at the center of an active poetry circle in central Maine. The outside judge will be Megan Grumblin, winner of the Ruth Lilly Prize. Contests are for members only; guests are invited to participate in the reading in the round.

~ *Sally Joy*

**POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN** spring meeting was held on April 18, 2009, at the Causeway Bay Hotel and Conference Center, Lansing,

Michigan, with around thirty members attending. The business meeting included the appointment and welcome of several new board members, increasing annual dues to \$20, presenting a new look for *Peninsula Poets*, and other general business. Members read original poems after a presentation by Kathleen McGookey on prose poems.

~ *Inge Logenburg Kyler, Historian*

**POETRY SOCIETY OF OKLAHOMA** celebrated National Poetry Month with a crowd of 300 + for the PSO "Oklahoma Lore Statewide Youth Poetry and Art Contest," April 15, 2009, at Southern Nazarene University, Bethany, Oklahoma. Four Youth Poets Laureate, a Manningham Trust winner, and teacher of the year received honors. Twin Hills Golf and Country Club is the site of our two final events in 2009, our 75th Anniversary Year: August 15 we will gather for "The All Day Good Ole' Summertime Workshop" with seven recognized poets leading seminars; our 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee/National Poetry Day Awards/Election of Officers will be October 10 when we will receive our 75th Anniversary Chapbooks of PSO members' poems. ~ *Vivian R. Stewart, President*

#### OREGON STATE POETRY ASSOCIATION

Student Poetry Contest winners received awards and read their poems to an appreciative audience of over 100 on May 9, 2009. Other news that day: Amanda Valdovinos won first prize in the NFSPS Manningham Trust Student Poetry Awards, Junior Division. OSPA, after a Spring Conference in Portland that attracted 65 members, is now planning its Fall Conference to be held October 16 and 17 in Newport at the Oregon Coast Community College campus. Featured poets and workshop leaders are Laurel Blossom from South Carolina and Judith Montgomery of Bend, Oregon.

~ *Virginia Corrie-Cozart, Historian*

**PENNSYLVANIA POETRY SOCIETY** held a three day convention in Gettysburg, April 30 - May 2, 2009. We were hosted by the Gettysburg Chapter of PPS, Inc. Highlights included a cemetery walk and meals at the Farnsworth House. Presentations to celebrate our 60th Anniversary were by Bert Barnett, DeAnna Spurluck, Linda Clark, Bernadette Atkins and Dr. Christanne Miller. Our special guests included NFSPS President Nancy Baass, and her mother Mildred Vorpahl Baass. The continuation of the 60th Anniversary will be held at Allenberry Dinner Theater in Boiling Springs on October 10, 2009. An anthology to celebrate this remarkable achievement is in the works.

~ *Joy Campbell, Corresponding Secretary*

**POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS** Student Awards Festival was held on April 18, 2009, at the Dallas Public Library with Poetry in the Schools Chairman Budd Powell Mahan officiating. PST President Jeannette L. Strother handed certificates to those students present, who read their winning poems. Upon arrival, students, with their families and friends, were greeted, registered and given the anthology containing all 1st Place winning poems and the names of those who won other placings, along with the names of their teachers and schools. Assisting with those duties were L.D. Carter, Sandy Wells, Peggy Wood, Amy Sandberg and Barbara Lewie Berry. ~ *Nancy Baass*

**UTAH STATE POETRY SOCIETY** April Poetry Festival, a celebration for poets from across the state, featured guest poet Lola Haskins, 2008 poet of the year Helen Keith Beaman, and announcement of book competition winner and USPS 2009 Poet of the Year, Gail Schimmelpfennig, who inspires as she writes of her battle with cancer in *The Frozen Kingdom*. USPS will hold our annual Book Concert for members and the public at the Salt Lake City Library, October 10, at 7 p.m. There is no charge. Winter Workshops Chair Elaine Christensen, replacing invaluable Maurine Haltiner, will host workshops the second Saturday in November, January, February, and March. USPS is proud of our Manningham Trust winning student poets, Savannah Swapp, Jonah Fronk, Savannah Carpenter, Hilary Webb and Cassy King, and appreciate all on the state and national level who worked to make recognition possible for these young poets who are our future.

~ *LaVerna B. Johnson, President*

**WYOPOETS** members celebrated Poetry Month by sending poetry to friends and family, and giving poetry readings. They held their annual spring workshop in April at the Hampton Inn in Casper, Wyoming, with presenter, Barbara Smith. Poems selected for a new chapbook were announced, and members donated poetry books to sell, with proceeds going into our general fund. An Excellence Award was presented to Abbie Taylor, our current Vice President and Web Liaison. In early June, many WyoPoets members attended the Wyoming Writers annual conference in Casper, with featured presenter Ted Kooser. An Excellence Award was presented to Nancy Curtis, our former Treasurer and long time contributor to many committees.

~ *Linda Ruhle, News Reporter*

## CONTESTS

**ILLINOIS STATE POETRY SOCIETY 16TH ANNUAL CONTEST** ~ Categories; 1) free verse, 2) formal verse, 3) a poem related to Abraham Lincoln and/or Charles Darwin. Prizes \$50, \$30, \$10. 3 HM. Maximum length: one poem page. Type size 11 pt or higher; no columns. Poems in English only. Submit two copies of each poem, first copy with ID (name/address/e-mail) and category in upper left hand corner; second copy without ID but with category. Entry fee: Non-members, \$6.00 for up to 3 poems, \$1.00 each additional poem. Members ISPS, \$3.00 up to 5 poems, \$1.00 each additional poem. Simultaneous submissions accepted, No poems which have won monetary awards or been published. Poems not returned. One out of state judge per category. Send submissions to Marvin Young, ISPS Poetry Contest Chair, 2382 Kildeer Street, Woodridge, Illinois 60517. Winners' names posted on ISPS website, [illinoispoets.org](http://illinoispoets.org). Deadline: must be postmarked October 30, 2009.

**HELEN SCHAIBLE INTERNATIONAL SHAKESPEAREAN/PETRARCHAN SONNET CONTEST** ~ Open to all. Submit only one entry of either a Shakespearean or Petrarchan sonnet. The entry must be original and unpublished. Submit 2 copies, typed double-spaced, on standard 8 1/2" x 11" paper with name and address on one copy in the upper right corner, but no ID on second

copy. First Prize \$50.00. Second Prize \$35.00. Third Prize \$15.00. Three Honorable Mentions, Unranked. Three Special Recognitions, Unranked. There is no fee. Winners will be notified by November 1, 2009. The poet keeps all rights. No entries will be returned. Enclose a SASE for the winners' list. All rules printed here. Mail entries, postmarked by September 1, 2009 to Barbara Eaton, 416 Gierz Street, Downers Grove, IL 60515-3838.

**POETS & PATRONS 53RD ANNUAL CHICAGOLAND POETRY CONTEST** ~ Category 7. Theme: The City of Chicago. Open to any poet, member or non-member, living anywhere. Deadline: September 1, 2009. Line limit: 60 lines. Fee: \$3. Send entries, inquiries, and fees to Barbara Eaton, Contest Chair, 416 Gierz Street, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

**MISSOURI STATE POETRY SOCIETY SUMMER CONTEST** ~ Deadline: Postmark September 1, 2009. Two copies of each entry, category number and name in upper left corner of both copies, poet's name and address in upper right corner of one copy. If member, put "Missouri State Poetry Society" below your address, otherwise put "non-member". 40 or fewer lines. May be previously published if poet retains the rights to the poem; may enter each category as many times as poet wishes. Categories: 1) rhymed verse or blank verse, 2) free verse, 3) humorous verse, 4) any form, summer subject, 5) poet's choice (any form, any subject). Members pay \$1 for two entries. Non-members pay \$1 per entry. Payable to: MSPS. Send to Billy Adams, 12600 McKinstry Road, De Soto, MO 63020. SASE or email address on a 3x5 index card for list of winners.

**LEBANON POETS' SOCIETY 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL POETRY CONTEST** ~ Deadline: December 4, 2009. Format: send two copies of each poem, include category and name of poem on both copies in left corner; on one copy include name and address in right corner. Limits: poems should be 36 or fewer lines. Poets may enter as many poems as they wish in any category. Poems will not be re-

turned. Poets retain the rights to their poems. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Categories: 1. Rhymed or blank verse, any subject, 2. Free verse, any subject, 3. Poet's choice: any form, serious or humorous. Fees: \$3.00 per poem. Make checks payable to Velvet Fackeldey Prizes: \$25, \$15, \$10, and honorable mention in each category. Mail entries to: Nancy LaChance, 14940 Hwy 64, Lebanon, MO. 65536

**SPRINGFIELD WRITERS' GUILD ANNUAL POETRY/PROSE CONTEST** ~ Deadline: October 1, 2009. Awards \$5 - \$100. Twelve categories in poetry, fiction and non-fiction, unpublished. Fees \$2 and \$3, depending on category. Poetry limit, one page. Prose limits 1,000 and 1,500 words. For Flyer, send SASE to Dr. Jerry Wible, SWG Contest, 2987 E. Kemmling Lane, Springfield, MO 65804. Information: [jwible@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jwible@sbcglobal.net), (417) 889-8370 or Mandy Barke, [mandybarke@yahoo.com](mailto:mandybarke@yahoo.com), (417) 830-7660. Winners announced at the October 24th meeting.

**UTAH STATE POETRY SOCIETY POETRY COMPETITION** ~ Check the USPS website, [www.utahpoets.com](http://www.utahpoets.com), for information. Deadline: February 2, 2010.

**2010 CHAPARRAL POETRY FORUM CONTEST** ~ Redrock Writers and the Utah State Poetry Society join together to offer \$1000 in prizes. Rules can be found at [www.redrockwriters.org](http://www.redrockwriters.org). Submissions accepted July 1 through November 1, 2009, deadline. Contact D. Gary Christian at [vikingbajabb.com](http://vikingbajabb.com) about the mid-March Redrock Writers Seminar in southern Utah where winners will be announced.

**WYOPOETS POETRY CONTEST** ~ Any subject, any form. Limit 40 lines. Published is O.K. Not won a prize larger than \$50.00. 1 or 2 for \$3. Additional, \$1 each. Example -- 5 for \$6.00, no limit. \$50-\$30-\$20 & HMs. 2 copies, 1 with identity. SASE for winners list. Deadline: Nov. 30, 2009. Send to Contest Director, Eugene Shea, P.O. Box 490, Hanna, WY 82327.