

N. F. S. P. S. 2018 Annual Contest Winners

1. NFSPS FOUNDERS AWARD

\$1,000 \$500 \$250 (295 entries)

Judge: John C. Mannone, Niota, TN

1st Jocelyn Ajami, Chicago, IL, "*Un Deseo* (A Wish)"

2nd Robert Schinzel, Highland Village, TX, "River of No Return"

3rd Myron Stokes, Oak Park, IL, "The Outhouse"

1HM Marcia Jones, Golden, CO

2HM Nellie DeVries, Grand Rapids, MI

3HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

4HM Wilda Morris, Bolingbrook, IL

5HM Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX

6HM Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX

7HM Llewellyn McKernan, New Smyrna Beach, FL

***2. THE DIAMOND T AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$500 \$300 \$200 (63 entries)

Judge: Lynn Graham, Louisville, KY

1st Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN, "Late Season"

2nd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "The Story"

3rd Kate Lacy, Fayetteville, AR, "Oh, SUSANNAH!"

1HM Rikki Santer, Columbus, OH

2HM Tiel Aisha Ansari, Portland, OR

3HM J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX

4HM Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL

5HM Wilda Morris, Bolingbrook, IL

6HM Nick Sweet, Shepherd, TX

7HM Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

3. THE NFSPS BOARD AWARD

\$280 \$130 \$90 (73 entries)

Judge: J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX

1ST Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL, "Solar Eclipse"

2ND Nancy Susanna Breen, Loveland, OH, "And So, She Stayed"

3RD Robert Schinzel, Highland Village, TX, "When Birds Don't Finish Tunes"

1HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

2HM Robert E. Blenheim, Daytona Beach, FL

3HM Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL

4HM Jean Bell, Evergreen, CO

5HM Tiel Aisha Ansari, Portland, OR

6HM D. Beecher Smith, II, Memphis, TN

7HM Lori Anne Goetz, Germantown, TX

4. THE MARGO AWARD

\$225 \$125 \$75 (177 entries)

Judge: Sharon Mishler Fox, Knoxville, TN

1st Maria Weber, Buena Vista, CO, "A Fish Story"

2nd Pamelyn Casto, Granbury, TX, "Some Dogs Won't Stop Howling"

3rd Patricia A. Peterson, Cottonwood Heights, UT, "Elephant Whisperer"

1HM Richard Cutler, Salida, CO

2HM S. Evan Walters, Indianapolis, IN

3HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

4HM Chelsea Bunn, Sandia Park, NM

5HM Micki Blenkush, Saint Cloud, MN

6HM Diane Glancy, Gainesville, TX

7HM Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

5. WINNERS' CIRCLE AWARD AWARD

\$225 \$100 \$75 (193 entries)

Judge: Jeffrey DeLotto, Fort Worth, TX

1st Polly Opsahl, Oscoda, MI, "Things To Give Away When I Die"

2ND Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL, "Connections"

3rd Susan Daubenspeck, Corpus Christi, TX, "Making Egg Salad"

1HM Vicki Wilke, Clarkston, MI

2HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR

3HM Deborah Goschy, Eagle Lake, MN

4HM Christine H. Boldt, Temple, TX

5HM Carolyn Evans Campbell, Evergreen, CO

6HM Allison Thorpe, Lexington, KY

7HM James B. Mele, Bristol, CT

*** 6. DONALD STODGHILL MEMORIAL AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$200 \$100 \$50 (166 entries)

Judge: Laurence W. Thomas, Ypsilanti, MI

1st James B. Mele, Bristol, CT, "No, Thank You"

2nd Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Southport, UK, "Deep and Dreamless"

3rd Lynda La Rocca, Salida, CO, "The Barn"

1HM Jenna Pashley Smith, Richmond, TX

2HM Ed Brekke-Kramer, Fairmont, MN

3HM Lynn Farmer, Decatur, GA

4HM Jesse Ehrenberg, Albuquerque, NM

5HM Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL

6HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

7HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

*** 7. GEORGIA POETRY SOCIETY AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$150 \$75 \$25 (83 entries)

Judge: Ed Brekke-Kramer, Fairmont, MN

1st Pat Durmon, Norfolk, AR, "Near Franklin, Tennessee"

2nd Judith Tullis, Indian Head Park, IL, "Golden Isles"

3rd Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA, "Southern Comfort"

1HM Robert E. Blenheim, Daytona Beach, FL

2HM Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX

3HM Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX

4HM Dave Harvey, Talent, OR

5HM Renée Ramsey, Floral, AR

6HM Von S. Bourland, Happy, TX

7HM Louise Cook, Sandy, UT

*** 8. POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$125 \$50 \$25 (169 entries)

Judge: Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

1st Wilda Morris, Bolingbrook, IL, "A Prayer for Red-Winged Blackbirds"

2nd Barbara Ford, Poncha Springs, CO, "Hoarder's Manifesto"

3rd Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT, "Night Chant of a USPS Holiday Temp"

1HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

2HM Crystie Cook, Sandy, UT

3HM Jesse Ehrenberg, Albuquerque, NM

4HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

5HM Maria Weber, Buena Vista, CO

6HM Polly Opsahl, Oscoda, MI

7HM Jenna Pashley Smith, Richmond, TX

***9. THE CHILDREN'S HOUR AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$100 \$60 \$40 (115 entries)

Judge: Mary-Ann Westbrook

Ormond Beach, FL

1st Candy Lish Fowler, Saint George, UT, "The Night Came Dancing"

2nd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "Letters of the Alphabet"

3rd Anita M. Krotz, Salt Lake City, UT, "Alphabet Animals"

1HM Alexandra Moss Zannis, Fort Wayne, IN

2HM LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK

3HM Patricia Jo Koch, Oklahoma City, OK

4HM Melinda Rice, Parachute, CO

5HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

6HM Nancy Cook, Saint Paul, MN

7HM Pat Bastendorf, Panama City, FL

***10. AL LASTER MEMORIAL AWARD (Members Only)**

\$100 \$50 \$25 (244 entries)

Judge: Elizabeth Kerlikowske Kalamazoo, MI

1st Pam Tucker, Washington, UT, "Couple With a Parrot"

2nd Ed Brekke-Kramer, Fairmont, MN, "Crests"

3rd Diane Glancy, Gainesville, TX, "Losing Ground"

1HM Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL

2HM John W. Coppock, Tuttle, OK

3HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

4HM Jenna Pashley Smith, Richmond, TX

5HM Elizabeth Bodien, Kempton, PA

6HM M. F. A. Sheaffer, New York, NY

7HM Tiel Aisha Ansari, Portland, OR

11. FLORIDA STATE POETS ASSOCIATION, INC, AWARD

\$100 \$50 \$25 (48 entries)

Judge: Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

1st Louise Cook, Sandy, UT, "In Quest"

2nd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "Child of the Sun"

3rd Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL, "In the Beginning (Three)"

1HM Caroline Walton, Crystal River

2HM Anita M. Krotz, Salt Lake City, UT

3HM Steven Leitch, West Jordan, UT

4HM Laurie Kolp, Beaumont, TX

5HM Von S. Bourland, Happy, TX

6HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

7HM Michael Owens, Cypress, TX

***12. ALABAMA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD (Members Only)**

\$75 \$50 \$25 (24 entries)

Judge: Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN

1st Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA, "Alabama the Beautiful"

2nd Dennis R. Patton, Alexander, AR, "Morning Poetry"

3rd B.J. Alligood, Port Orange, FL, "Alabama Charms"

1HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

2HM Jeani M. Picklesimer, Ashland, KY

3HM Sara Gipson, Scott, AR

4HM Wilda Morris, Bolingbrook, IL

5HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

6HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

7HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

13. LAND OF ENCHANTMENT AWARD

\$75 \$50 \$25 (135 entries)

Judge: Erik Greenberg, Los Angeles, CA

1st Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN, "Mother-Missive"

2nd Wendy Visser, Cambridge, Ontario, Canada, "Proximity"

3rd Linda Eve Diamond, Port Orange, FL, "The Elephant's Breakthrough"

1HM Vicki Dawn Arnett, Preston, MO

2HM Mary A. Miceli, Rowley, MA

3HM Joshua Conklin, Amherst, NH

4HM Polly Opsahl, Oscoda, MI

5HM Jim Lambert, Carterville, IL

6HM Carolyn Evans Campbell, Evergreen, CO

7HM Joy McDowell, Springfield, OR

14. THE VIRGINIA CORRIE-COZART MEMORIAL AWARD

\$75 \$50 \$25 (150 entries)

Judge: Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN

1st Llewellyn McKernan, New Smyrna Beach, FL,

"Stravinsky's Firebird"

2nd Kenneth W. Michaels, York, PA, "Pennsylvania Coal Meditation I"

3rd Ed Brekke-Kramer, Fairmont, MN, "Cool Jazz"

1HM Caroline Johnson, Willow Springs, IL

2HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

3HM Meredith R. Cook, Blue Earth, MN

4HM Catherine L'Herisson, Garland, TX

5HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

6HM Mary Ann Savage, Watsonville, CA

7HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

15. ARIZONA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD

\$75 \$30 \$20 (106 entries)

Judge: Elaine McDermott, Gulfport, MS

1st Sara Gipson, Scott, AR, "Cheap Cruise"

2nd Pat Hale, West Hartford, CT, "With Apologies to Billy Collins"

3rd Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL, "A Visitor at the Beach"

1HM Jerry Lang, Muskegon, MN

2HM Markay Brown, Saint George, UT

3HM Sylvia Ramos Cruz, Albuquerque, NM

4HM Nancy Susanna Breen, Loveland, OH

5HM Nancy LaChance, Lebanon, MO

6HM Laurie Kolp, Beaumont, TX

7HM Michael Bourgo, Boalsburg, PA

***16. MILDRED VORPAHL BAASS REMEMBRANCE AWARD (*Members Only)** \$60 \$40 \$20 (99 entries)

Judge: Lori Goetz, Germantown, TN

1st Lisa E. Baldwin, Grants Pass, OR, "Laying to Rest on the Farm"

2nd Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "Feline Fluency"

3rd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "The Hemingway Museum Cats"

1HM Jamie Morewood Anderson, Cedar Crest, NM

2HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

3HM Kate Walker, Spring Mills, PA

4HM Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN

5HM Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR

6HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

7HM Clarence P. Socwell, Ogden, UT

17. LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA POETS AWARD \$60 \$40 \$20 (171 entries)

Judge: Beverly Seaton, Memphis, TN

1st B.J. Alligood, Port Orange, FL, "The Voyage"

2nd Anita M. Krotz, Salt Lake City, UT, "But for the Grace of God"

3rd Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL, "Last Look"

1HM Robert Schinzel, Highland Village, TX

2HM Kim Vernon, Pangburn, AR

3HM Lorrie Wolfe, Windsor, CO

4HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

5HM Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN

6HM Louise Cook, Sandy, UT

7HM Ann Carolyn Cates, Southaven, MS

18. JESSICA C. SAUNDERS MEMORIAL AWARD \$60 \$40 \$20 (99 entries)

Judge: Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

1st LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK, "Artistic Aggravation"

2nd Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT, "Watchers"

3rd Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA, "Don't Undersell the Small and Quiet"

1HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

2HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

3HM Ann Carolyn Cates, Southaven, MS

4HM Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX

5HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

6HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

7HM Anthony Fusco, West Haven, CT

19. POETRY SOCIETY OF INDIANA AWARD \$50 \$30 \$20 (109 entries)

Judge: Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX

1st Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "Summer 13"

2nd Clarence P. Socwell, Ogden, UT, "Beach Notes"

3rd Lisa E. Baldwin, Grants Pass, OR, "Late Summer Dionysia"

1HM Nancy Susanna Breen, Loveland, OH

2HM Pam Tucker, Washington, UT

3HM Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL

4HM Christine H. Irving, Denton, TX

5HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

6HM Micki Blenkush, Saint Cloud, MN

7HM Linda Banks, Mesquite, TX

20. NEVADA POETRY SOCIETY AWARD \$50 \$30 \$20 (194 entries)

Judge: Stephanie Zebosky, Wilmore, KY

1st Gail Denham, Sunriver, OR, "Would Anyone Notice?"

2nd Jeani M. Picklesimer, Ashland, KY, "Something Small and Me"

3rd Pat Durmon, Norfork, AR, "Apricot River"

1HM Alexandra Moss Zannis, Fort Wayne, IN

2HM Michael Owens, Cypress, TX

3HM Catherine L'Herisson, Garland, TX

4HM James F. Ahearn, Rochester, MN

5HM Michael Bourgo, Boalsburg, PA

6HM Claire Scott, Oakland, CA

7HM Candy Lish Fowler, Saint George, UT

21. WILLIAM STAFFORD MEMORIAL AWARD \$50 \$30 \$20 (175 entries)

Judge: Gail Denham, Sunriver, OR

1st Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN, "Soap Opera Hour, 1949"

2nd Nancy Cook, Saint Paul, MN, "Made In the USA"

3rd Michael Escoubas, Bloomington, IL, "Lunch in the Field"

1HM Dina Triest, Salem, OR

2HM Barbara Ford, Poncha Springs, CO

3HM Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

4HM Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT

5HM Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT

6HM Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN

7HM Eleanor Berry, Lyons, OR

22. THE NEW YORK POETRY FORUM AWARD \$50 \$30 \$20 (162 entries)

Judge: Polly Opsahl, Oscoda, MN

1st Pat Durmon, Norfork, AR, "Instructions for the Poet"

2nd Linda Eve Diamond, Port Orange, FL, "Art Beats"

3rd Robert E. Blenheim, Daytona Beach, FL, "The Old Codger at the Remington"

1HM Meredith R. Cook, Blue Earth, MN

2HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

3HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

4HM Karen Kay Bailey, Blanchard, OK

5HM Jenna Pashley Smith, Richmond, TX

6HM Vicki Wilke, Clarkston, MI

7HM Kate Walker, Spring Mills, PA

***23. COLUMBINE POETS OF COLORADO AWARD (*Members Only)** \$50 \$30 \$20 (165 entries)

Judge: Sheila Tingley Moore, San Antonio, TX

1st Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "In a Mirror"

2nd Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "Reflections on a Window"

3rd Micki Blenkush, Saint Cloud, MN, "Swagger"

1HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

2HM Stephanie Andrews, Melbourne Beach, FL

3HM Virginia Mortenson, Des Moines, IA

4HM Gloria Klinger, Grand Haven, MI

5HM Jean Bell, Evergreen, CO

6HM Nancy Cook, Saint Paul, MN

7HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

**24. MORTON D. PROUTY & ELSIE S. PROUTY
MEMORIAL AWARD**

\$50 \$30 \$20 (124 entries)

Judge: Sandra Soli, Edmond, OK

1st Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "Snake Road, LaRue Pine Hills"

2nd Annie Neugebauer, Denton, TX, "Sometimes the Beauty Is in the Falling"

3rd Karen Douglass, Broomfield, CO, "Inchworm"

1HM Barbara Ford, Poncha Springs, CO

2HM Julianza Shavin, Fountain, CO

3HM Nellie DeVries, Grand Rapids, MI

4HM Elaine Zimmerman, Hamden, CT

5HM Von S. Bourland, Happy, TX

6HM Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT

7HM Virginia Mortenson, Des Moines, IA

***25. POETS ROUND TABLE OF ARKANSAS AWARD
(*Members Only)**

\$50 \$30 \$20 (153 entries)

Judge: Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

1st Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR, "Meeting My Mother"

2nd Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL, "Easter Sunday"

3rd Duanne Kaiser, Sautee Nacoochee, GA, "Wild Beginnings"

1HM Beth Staas, Oak Brook, IL

2HM Ed Brekke-Kramer, Fairmont, MN

3HM Candy Lish Fowler, Saint George, UT

4HM Jeanette Willert, Pell City, AL

5HM John McBride, Bettendorf, IA

6HM Carol P. Thompson, Tyler, TX

7HM Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

26. LOUISIANA STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD

\$50 \$30 \$20 (156 entries)

Judge: Raquel Cecil, Louisville, KY

1st Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL, "Quake"

2nd Maxine B. Kohanski, Spring, TX, "There's Something About a Sunday"

3rd William A. Kofoed, Magna, UT, "Perfection"

1HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

2HM John W. Crawford, Arkadelphia, AR

3HM Deborah Goschy, Eagle Lake, MN

4HM Betty Ann Whitney, Wesley Chapel, FL

5HM Joshua Conklin, Amherst, NH

6HM Martha H. Balph, Millville, UT

7HM Roger Singer, Mashpee, MA

***27. FREEDA MURPHY MEMORIAL AWARD**

(*Members Only) \$50 \$30 \$20 (160 entries)

Judge: Jeremy M. Downes, Auburn, AL

1st Robert E. Blenheim, Daytona Beach, FL, "The End of the Fifties"

2nd Micki Blenkush, Saint Cloud, MN, "Frosting the Cookies"

3rd Caroline Johnson, Willow Springs, IL, "Ladder"

1HM Ray Reeder, Albuquerque, NM

2HM Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX

3HM Nancy Cook, Saint Paul, MN

4HM James F. Ahearn, Rochester, MN

5HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

6HM Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL

7HM Susan Daubenspeck, Corpus Christi, TX

**28. CLAIRE VAN BREEMEN DOWNES MEMORIAL
AWARD**

\$50 \$30 \$20 (87 entries)

Judge: Christina Flaughter, Mapleton, MN

1st Lisa E. Baldwin, Grants Pass, OR, "Welcome Winter"

2nd Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN, "Wish Book"

3rd Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX, "Beyond The Veil"

1HM Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN

2HM Virginia Mortenson, Des Moines, IA

3HM Wilda Morris, Bolingbrook, IL

4HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR

5HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

6HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

7HM Von S. Bourland, Happy, TX

29. UTAH STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD \$50 \$30

\$20 (140 entries)

Judge: Daniel G. Snethen, Kyle, SD

1st Davi Walders, Chevy Chase, MD, "Petroglyphs"

2nd Robert La Fleur, Ponsford, MN, "We the People"

3rd Viola Morris, Albuquerque, NM, "Legacy"

1HM Sheila Tingley Moore, San Antonio, TX

2HM Elaine Zimmerman, Hamden, CT

3HM Rose Ann Spaith, Columbus, OH

4HM K. Hamblen, Baton Rouge, LA

5HM Louise Cook, Sandy, UT

6HM Sylvia Ramos Cruz, Albuquerque, NM

7HM Brenda Brown Finnegan, Ocean Springs, MS

**30. CSPPS JAMES E. MACWHINNEY MEMORIAL
AWARD**

\$50 \$30 \$20 (67 entries)

Judge: Janet Qually, Memphis, TN

1st Warren E. Jones, Owensville, IN, "Autumn Whispers"

2nd Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA, "To the Ubiquitous Sparrow"

3rd Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL, "Ancestral Journey"

1HM Lori Anne Goetz, Germantown, TX

2HM Dee Bowlin, Vinton, VA

3HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

4HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

5HM Karen Kay Bailey, Blanchard, OK

6HM Sara Gipson, Scott, AR

7HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

31. ILLINOIS STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD

\$50 \$30 \$20 (91 entries)

Judge: Al Rocheleau, Orlando, FL

1st Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT, "Martha & Tess"

2nd Barbara J. Funke, Saint George, UT, "A Death in the Family"

3rd Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX, "Margaret Clitherow, Expectant"

1HM Lisa E. Baldwin, Grants Pass, OR

2HM Nancy Simmonds, Fort Wayne, IN

3HM Clarence P. Socwell, Ogden, UT

4HM Barbara Ford, Poncha Springs, CO

5HM Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

6HM Joshua Conklin, Amherst, NH

7HM Micki Blenkush, Saint Cloud, MN

32. OHIO AWARD

\$50 \$25 \$15 (173 entries)

Judge: Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

1st Candy Lish Fowler, Saint George, UT, "Without Breath"

2nd Ellen Lager, Robbinsdale, MN, "For Now, Child, the Lion Sleeps"

3rd Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "Gather the Words"

1HM Sheri A. Sutton, Wichita Falls, TX

2HM James F. Gaines, Fredericksburg, VA

3HM Trina Lee, Oklahoma City, OK

4HM Karen Mastracchio, Spring, TX

5HM Angie M. Goin, Fort Worth, TX

6HM Maurine Haltiner, Salt Lake City, UT

7HM Omair Hasan, Toledo, OH

***33. MINUTE AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$35 \$25 \$15 (82 entries)

Judge: John W. Crawford, Arkadelphia, AR

1st LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK, "My Sinful Knees"

2nd Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT, "Purchasing Priorities"

3rd V. Kimball Barney, Kaysville, UT, "A Waist Is a Terrible Thing to Mind"

1HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

2HM B.J. Alligood, Port Orange, FL

3HM Jacqueline Williams, Mesa, AZ

4HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

5HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

6HM Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA

7HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

34. POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN AWARD

\$35 \$25 \$15 (145 entries)

Judge: Lynda La Rocca,

Salida, CO

1st Susan Stevens Chambers, Good Thunder, MN, "Second Hand"

2nd Rosemerry Trommer, Placerville, CO, "Deciding to Sometimes Practice Being Snapdragon"

3rd Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "The Scent of Rain"

1HM Linda Banks, Mesquite, TX

2HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

3HM Virginia Mortenson, Des Moines, IA

4HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

5HM Carolyn Evans Campbell, Evergreen, CO

6HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

7HM Claire Scott, Oakland, CA

35. MISSISSIPPI POETRY SOCIETY AWARD \$35 \$25

\$15 (91 entries)

Judge: O. William Asplund, Layton, UT

1st LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK, "Tokens"

2nd Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL, "A Lazy Afternoon"

3rd Annie Neugebauer, Denton, TX, "If, Indeed"

1HM Catherine Moran, Little Rock, AR

2HM Lisa Toth Salinas, Spring, TX

3HM Warren E. Jones, Owensville, IN

4HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

5HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

6HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

7HM Beverly Stanislawski, Crown Point, IN

***36. JESSE STUART MEMORIAL AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (138 entries)

Judge: Jesse Robbins, Lexington, KY

1st Christine H. Boldt, Temple, TX, "Negative Charge"

2nd Maxine B. Kohanski, Spring, TX, "I'm All Alone"

3rd Meredith R. Cook, Blue Earth, MN, "Sentenced To Death: Of Ghosts and Cuckoos"

1HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

2HM Trina Lee, Oklahoma City, OK

3HM Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA

4HM Steven Leitch, West Jordan, UT

5HM Kylee Sutherland, Goldthwaite, TX

6HM Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX

7HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

***37. HUMOROUS POETRY AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (123 entries)

Judge: Ann Carolyn Cates, Southaven, MS

1st Leslie C. Halpern, Oviedo, FL, "Lounge Lizards"

2nd V. Kimball Barney, Kaysville, UT, "Sleeptalking"

3rd Michael Bourgo, Boalsburg, PA, "The Monkey"

1HM Barbara Green Powell, Beaumont, TX

2HM Birma Castle, Beaumont, TX

3HM Jackie McVey, Tyler, TX

4HM Jan Ohmstede, Salida, CO

5HM Catherine L'Herisson, Garland, TX

6HM Martha H. Balph, Millville, UT

7HM Grace Diane Jessen, Glenwood, UT

38. BARBARA STEVENS MEMORIAL AWARD

\$25 \$20 \$15 (171 entries)

Judge: Julie Cummings,

Conifer, CO

1st K. Hamblen, Baton Rouge, LA, "Final Payback"

2nd Amanda Bailey, Mankato, MN, "Family Reunion"

3rd Marilyn Downing, Hershey, PA, "The Other Woman"

1HM Laura Trigg, Little Rock, AR

2HM Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Southport, UK

3HM Anita Jepson-Gilbert, Westminster, CO

4HM LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK

5HM Beth Staas, Oak Brook, IL

6HM Joyce P. Wilson, Centennial, CO

7HM Jackie McVey, Tyler, TX

***39. ALICE MAKENZIE SWAIM MEMORIAL AWARD (*MembersOnly)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (69 entries)

Judge: Florence Bruce, Memphis, TN

1st Von S. Bourland, Happy, TX, "Lodestar of Classical Guitar"

2nd Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX, "W. C. Handy Blues"

3rd Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX, "Beyond the Vow"

1HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

2HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

3HM Pauline Mounsey, Sun City West, AZ

4HM Loretta Burns Vaughan, San Antonio, TX

5HM Beth Staas, Oak Brook, IL

6HM Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK

7HM Robert Schinzel, Highland Village, TX

***40. POETRY SOCIETY OF OKLAHOMA AWARD
(*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (68 entries)

Judge: Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN

1st Julianza Shavin, Fountain, CO, "Lone Boat Rocking"

2nd Laurie Kolp, Beaumont, TX, "What Is Not Enough"

3rd Amanda Bailey, Mankato, MN, "Big Mama Said"

1HM Linda Banks, Mesquite, TX

2HM Wendy Visser, Cambridge, Ontario, Canada

3HM Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL

4HM Dennis R. Patton, Alexander, AR

5HM Christine H. Boldt, Temple, TX

6HM Jacqueline Williams, Mesa, AZ

7HM Marie C. Tollstrup, Saint George, UT

41. SAVE OUR EARTH AWARD

\$25 \$20 \$15 (120 entries)

Judge: Floyd Michaud Lamrouex, San Antonio, TX

1st Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "The Price of Concrete"

2nd Steven Leitch, West Jordan, UT, "Island of Fishers"

3rd Catherine L'Herisson, Garland, TX, "From Mourning to Joy"

1HM Bonnie Anderson, Saint George, UT

2HM Michael Bourgo, Boalsburg, PA

3HM Joy McDowell, Spring!eld, OR

4HM Philip Levin, Biloxi, MS

5HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

6HM Deborah Goschy, Eagle Lake, MN

7HM D. Beecher Smith, II, Memphis, TN

42. MASSACHUSETTS STATE POETRY SOCIETY AWARD

\$25 \$20 \$15 (98 entries)

Judge: Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

1st Mary Rudbeck Stanko, London, Ontario, Canada, "The Prayer Flags of Gyala Peri"

2nd Jamie Morewood Anderson, Cedar Crest, NM, "A Gravedigger's Thoughts on Burying Children"

3rd LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK, "A Field of War"

1HM D. Beecher Smith, II, Memphis, TN

2HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

3HM Philip Levin, Biloxi, MS

4HM Rita Goodgame, Little Rock, AR

5HM Charmaine Pappas Donovan, Brainerd, MN

6HM Linda Banks, Mesquite, TX

7HM Joy McDowell, Spring!eld, OR

***43. POETRY SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE AWARD
(*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (130 entries)

Judge: Joe Cavanaugh,

Ormond Beach, FL

1st Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX, "All Five Senses Celebrate the Arts"

2nd Steven Leitch, West Jordan, UT, "When,"

3rd Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN, "P.B. and J"

1HM Amanda Partridge, Sherwood, AR

2 Karen Kay Bailey, Blanchard, OK

3HM Lucille Morgan Wilson, Des Moines, IA

4HM Pamelyn Casto, Granbury, TX

5HM Jean Syed, Bonney Lake, WA

6HM Mary Zachmeyer, Mount Pleasant, IA

7HM Becky Alexander, Cambridge, Ontario, Canada

44. IOWA POETRY ASSOCIATION AWARD \$25 \$20 \$15 (100 entries)

Judge: Sandra Nantais, Ruston, LA

1st Martha H. Balph, Millville, UT, "Bed Beast"

2nd Candy Lish Fowler, Saint George, UT, "Baby Food"

3rd Louise Cook, Sandy, UT, "Royal Visit Rope Chant"

1HM Terry Jude Miller, Richmond, TX

2HM Loretta Diane Walker, Odessa, TX

3HM Jackie Huppenthal, Dyer, IN

4HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

5HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

6HM Patricia A. Peterson, Cottonwood Heights, UT

7HM Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI

45. WYOPOLYETS AWARD

\$25 \$20 \$15 (120 entries)

Judge: Mary E. O'Dell, Louisville, KY

1st Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL, "A Gentle Killing"

2nd Annie Neugebauer, Denton, TX, "The Mountains Do Not Call Me"

3rd Diane Glancy, Gainesville, TX, "When Wind Stopped"

1HM J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak, TX

2HM Donna Pucciani, Wheaton, IL

3HM LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK

4HM Russell H. Strauss, Memphis, TN

5HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

6HM Deborah Goschy, Eagle Lake, MN

7HM Claire Scott, Oakland, CA

***46. SAN ANTONIO POLYETS ASSOCIATION AWARD
(*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (86 entries)

Judge: Jim Lambert, Carterville, IL

1st Joshua Conklin, Amherst, NH, "Along The Nile"

2nd Diane Glancy, Gainesville, TX, "St. Therese, Cloister Infirmary, Lisieux"

3rd Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI, "Bypass"

1HM Mary Rudbeck Stanko, London, Ontario, Canada

2HM Marie C. Tollstrup, Saint George, UT

3HM Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX

4HM Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Placerville, CO

5HM Marleine Yanish, Denver, CO

6HM Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL

7HM Lori Anne Goetz, Germantown, TX

47. MAINE POLYETS SOCIETY AWARD

\$25 \$20 \$15 (105 entries)

Judge: Lee Pelham Cotton, Locust Hill, VA

1st Patricia A. Lieb, Shady Hills, FL, "An American Soldier at the Beach"

2nd Barrie Fiedler, Evergreen, CO, "Sea Leap"

3rd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "Tsunami Debris"

1HM Robert Schinzel, Highland Village, TX

2HM B.J. Alligood, Port Orange, FL

3HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

4HM Anthony Fusco, West Haven, CT

5HM Louise Cook, Sandy, UT

6HM Michael Escoubas, Bloomington, IL

7HM Lorraine Jeffery, Orem, UT

***48. MIRIAM S. STRAUSS MEMORIAL AWARD**

(*Members Only)

\$25 \$20 \$15 (37 entries)

Judge: Kolette Montague, Centerville, UT

1st Cynthia Weber Nankee, Canton, MI, "Of Children and Trains"

2nd Tiel Aisha Ansari, Portland, OR, "Spring Equinox"

3rd V. Kimball Barney, Kaysville, UT, "Armchair Adventures"

1HM Jerri Hardesty, Brierfield, AL

2HM Patricia Barnes, Wyandotte, MI

3HM Joyce Shiver, Crystal River, FL

4HM Barbara Blanks, Garland, TX

5HM Anita M. Krotz, Salt Lake City, UT

6HM Pat Underwood, Colfax, IA

7HM Dena R. Gorrell, Edmond, OK

***49. THE POETS NORTHWEST AWARD (*Members Only)**

\$25 \$20 \$15 (116 entries)

Judge: Valerie Martin Bailey, San Antonio, TX

1st Kathy Lohrum Cotton, Anna, IL, "How the Light Gets In"

2nd Budd Powell Mahan, Dallas, TX, "Dust Bowl Rancher"

3rd Janet Watson, Wesley Chapel, FL, "The Art of Dali-Longlegs"

1HM Pat Durmon, Norfolk, AR

2HM Mary A. Couch, Noblesville, IN

3HM Robert E. Blenheim, Daytona Beach, FL

4HM Ray Reeder, Albuquerque, NM

5HM K. Hamblen, Baton Rouge, LA

6HM Marilyn Stacy, Dallas, TX

7HM Alison Chisholm, Birkdale, Southport, UK

50. STUDENT AWARD

\$50 \$30 \$20 7 Honorable Mentions

at \$5 each (334 entries)

Judge: Crystal Robbins, North Hollywood, CA

1st Lindsey Zuideman, Hull, IA, "I Met The Ocean Once"

2nd Ava Berger, Dallas, TX, "Souls"

3rd Alexandra Evans, Denison, TX

1HM Amanda Lee, Frisco, TX

2HM Tyler Angtuaco, Little Rock, AR

3HM Macklin Griffin, Dallas, TX

4HM Josie Jones, Cedar Rapids, IA

5HM Eric Kim, San Ramon, CA

6HM Laura Liu, Wayne, PA

7HM No 7HM due to disqualification