PST’S MONTHLY MEETING REPORT  
From Saturday, December 14, 2013

President Jimmye Inez Sessions called the meeting to order and welcomed our speaker, Christine Boldt and her husband Paul, of Temple and guest Charles L’Herisson of Garland. Past presidents in attendance were Linda Banks, Marilyn Stacy, Catherine L’Herisson, and J. Paul Holcomb.

Treasurer Aman Khan gave the November financial statement and Membership Chair Lynn Lewis gave the October/November membership report (page 6). Librarian Barbara Blanks announced the donation of 31 books (page 5).

President Sessions reminded us that our January meeting will feature a memorial program for members lost in 2013. Vice-President Catherine L’Herisson will be the presenter. There will be no speaker, since this meeting is also our annual Poem-A-Thon. Members read their own poems or poems by others. The Poem-a-Thon is always a lot of fun and refreshments will be served.

President Sessions brought us up to date on the eBook, which is nearing completion. An interim Board meeting was held at Beth Ayers’ home in Plano, where Patrick Marshall told us what progress has been made, and what still needs to be done.

Marilyn Stacy has stepped down as co-editor of A Book of the Year. Her several years of service are greatly appreciated.

Vice-President Catherine L’Herisson introduced our speaker, Christine Boldt. Christine is a retired librarian, originally from Buffalo, NY. She and her husband, Paul, were volunteers in the Peace Corps for two years; and with their two sons, they lived in Italy for six years. They have been residents of Texas since 1981. Christine’s poems have been published in a variety of collections, including the Texas Poetry Calendar by Dos Gatos Press, and Windhover. She also has a chapbook titled, A Sensuary, consisting of rondels, her favorite form of poetry.

Christine’s program was titled, “Making Visible,” and it focused on the different ways people experience visual arts. This includes exploring art from the perspective of the artist, the art itself, and “when artists and works of art have done their parts, then it’s the viewer’s part.” Her final poems were about her reactions to what she saw and the mental leaps a viewer must sometimes make. She gave the example of a picture labeled, “This is not a pipe,” and how it was and wasn’t, making “the rocks of reason shift below our feet.” Our thanks to Christine for an interesting program.

“Spotlight on Poets” Chair Pat Randolph introduced our “Remote” poet, Jesse Fitzgerald Scott, of Houston. Jesse is a native Texan and has been a PST member since 2010. She says she is influenced by Robert Frost. Pat Randolph read Jesse’s poems.

After the break, Contest Chair, Jimmye Inez Sessions announced the winning poems for December (see the box below). The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Blanks, Recording Secretary

MONTHLY CONTEST WINNERS  
December 2013

Critic Judge: Mary Yokum, Amarillo
First: Catherine L’Herisson, Garland ~ “Fall Planting”
Second: Tony Dickensheets, Coppell
Third: Linda Banks, Mesquite

10 Poems Read at The Meeting

Book Prizes
Reader: Beth Ayers, Plano
Popular Prize: Barbara Blanks, Garland
A Galaxy of Verse Prize: Marilyn Stacy, Dallas
Poetry for Poets Award: Webb B. Key, Jr., Wichita Falls
William Barney Memorial: J. Paul Holcomb, Double Oak
Wendy Dimmette Memorial: Alice Parker, Dallas
M. Tandy Duemke Prize: Sylvia S. Medel, McKinney
Other Poems Read By: Geneva Fulgham, Juanita Griffey, Beth Honeycutt, and Dianne Capell.

Laugh Lines
Judge: Catherine L’Herisson, Garland
Winner: Aman Kahn, Dallas

Annual Critic’s Award Judge:
Madelyn Eastlund, Beverly Hills, FL.
Annual Critic’s Award Winner:
LaVern Spencer McCarthy, Blair, OK, for “Green Mesquite.”
Reader: Barbara Blanks.

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The 15th is the deadline for news each month. A general announcement needs approval, so please send it in time for the editor to obtain that approval. Thanks, Valerie Bailey, Editor
ALAMO AREA POETS OF TEXAS
Sheila Moore

November 2013: The AAPT meeting opened to a full house and a welcome back to Iris Maahs and Dee and Nancy Carter, who had been on the recovery list.

President Sheila Moore presented a special writing activity from Wingbeats: Write about your first memory of your first bathroom. This led to much laughter, writing, and sharing. Members enjoyed it so much that from time to time, a short writing activity will be offered to keep the muse on her toes.

Awards for the month: Open contest: Dee Carter –3rd HM; Lucy McBee –2nd HM; Peter Holland –1st HM; Peggy Mott –3rd; Don Mathis –2nd; Sheila Moore –1st. Assigned contest: Pat Walker –2nd HM; Don Mathis –1st HM; Peggy Mott –3rd; Peter Holland –2nd; Sheila Moore –1st. After a refreshment break, seven books were given away in the raffle and new poems were read.

Another busy month for AAPT members: Peter Holland was published in Texas Observer and Street Talk, and he was the featured speaker at the Barnes & Noble after the Sleepy Poet venue hosted by Floyd (Michaud) L. Lamrouex. Lea Fagan received second place in the Lois Stewart Awards from the San Antonio Writers Guild, and she has two photos on display at the Medical Center Research Clinic. Del Ellison has two plays being produced in Houston, and a one-woman show coming up in Chicago. Sheila Moore placed in six Galaxy of Verse contests (two of them first places), and November 9 at the Twig Book Shop, she will read her poem published in Texas Poetry Calendar. Peggy Mott’s poem “The Happy Hooker” has been published on the Facebook page of Hot Lava Crochet. Don Mathis shared the chapbook he compiled from leading the “Writers Take a Walk” at the Botanical Gardens. And congratulations to Kim Mott for another handsome grandson!

December 2013: AAPT celebrated Christmas with a delicious lunch on December 14 in the Garden Room of Incarnate Word University. Everyone enjoyed a variety of member-prepared dishes with Lea Fagin heading up the social committee. Afterward, awards were presented for November poems in the Assigned category: Sheila Moore –1st; Iris Maahs –2nd; Lucy McBee –3rd; Don Mathis –HM. Open category awards went to Iris Maahs –1st; Sheila Moore –2nd; Don Mathis –3rd; and Peter Holland –HM. We thank Marilyn Stacy for judging the November contests and for taking time to make helpful, constructive comments on the poems.

Alamo Area Poets of Texas continue to be actively involved in the San Antonio poetry scene by participating in a variety of poetry events and publications. Peter Holland was recently published in the Rivard Report and Don Mathis read his poem “Merry XMas–Merry TexMas–Another San Antonio Solstice” which will soon appear in the Rivard Report. He reminded members to send in their poems for consideration.

Lea Fagin reported that her memoir chapter received 2nd place in a Writer’s Guild contest. She also received recognition for a scholarship for nurses that she donated to Incarnate Word University. New member Del Ellison has written a play that will soon be performed in Chicago. The Christmas meeting and luncheon was a special time of fellowship and poetry for members and guests.

AUSTIN POETRY SOCIETY
Beth Kropf

On Saturday, November 23, there was a poetry reading for the release of Blue Hole 2013 at the Georgetown Public Library. On December 7, Dos Gatos Press held the final 2014 Texas Poetry Calendar reading at Book People. On November 14, ire’ne lara silva read from her new book flesh to bone at the Mexican American Cultural Center. At our monthly meeting on Saturday, November 16, Ute Carson presented “Found in Translation.”

Susan Rooke’s poem “Near Year’s End” has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize by Dos Gatos Press. Beloved Austin poets David Meischen and Scott Wiggergan got married on October 23 in Taos, New Mexico with fellow poets Darla McBryde, Doa McQuaid, and Elizabeth Raby in attendance.

The monthly meeting on December 21 was an open mic. On December 7, Usha Akella was a speaker at the Raindrop Women’s Association, the Turkish women’s association. Her speech on why poetry matters can be viewed at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oPPgUV61hSY.

In January, APS Vice President Allyson Whipple will host a workshop on writing and organizing submissions. One will be live in Austin on January 4, and one will be online on January 5 on Google Plus. To register for the workshop visit: http://allysonwhipple.wordpress.com/available-for-workshops-and-coaching/.

Poets Claire Vogel Conmargo, Carrie Juettner, Christa Pandey, Stephen B. Rodi, and Susan Rooke all had poems place in the Poetry Society of Texas annual contests. Please visit the APS website for a complete list of impressive member accomplishments and upcoming venues.

BEAUMONT CHAPTER
Barbara Powell

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our poetry friends. We hope all who attended the Awards Banquet in November enjoyed it as much as our members: Emma Ellis, Birma Castle, and Barbara Powell. Congratulations to our newest member, Emma Ellis, for getting a first place her first year to enter the contests. We are so proud of Emma!

Beaumont Chapter members hosted a read-around at Barnes and Noble in Beaumont in honor of Poetry Day. The turn out was not as good as we had hoped, but we did enjoy sharing our poetry. We hope to have a good showing next time. Barnes and Noble is a great bookstore. They are always cordial and cooperative about letting us have our readings there.

Our December 19 meeting was held at the Calder Woods
Retirement Home. Our poetry lesson included writing a Terza Rima poem of rhymed triplets: a b a, b c b, c d c, d e d, ending with a couplet e e from Roberta Pipe Bowman’s book of 21 different forms. Also, we read our critiqued haiku from November’s lesson. At noon, we all went out to eat at the Black Eyed Pea. May God bless all with a wonderful Christmas!

**DENTON POETS’ ASSEMBLY**

*Richard Weatherly*

The Denton Poets’ Assembly met on Saturday, November 16 and December 21.

On November 16, Denton Poets’ Assembly members read poems featuring the use of color to express emotions. J. Paul Holcomb presented a lesson on writing ekphrastic poetry. On December 21, we read poems that were inspired by artwork such as paintings and photos. In addition to the assigned poems, members read a free choice poem at the November and December meetings. DPA members enjoyed a brunch during the meetings, sharing finger foods and treats in the spirit of the Holiday Season.

DPA members made a great showing during the Poetry Society of Texas’ annual competitions this year. Nine DPA members placed in a total of fifty listings. Four of our poets placed in the top three awards. Annie Neugebauer had a first place award and two second and third place awards. J. Paul Holcomb had a first place award and two third place awards. Jan Spence had two second place awards and one third place award. Richard Weatherly had one second place award. Beth Honeycutt received a third-place award. In addition to those already mentioned, the following placed in fourth through tenth place awards: Christine Irving, Cindy Guthrie Wood, Karona Drummond, and T. Jervis Underwood. Congratulations to everyone who participated.

Rebecca Hines notified us that DPA had the largest number of participants to date in preparation for Merging Visions IV, a collaboration between DPA and VAST (Visual Arts Society of Texas).

The Denton Poets’ Assembly meets on the third Saturday of the month, 10AM–Noon at the Emily Fowler Central Library, 502 Oakland Street, Denton, TX 76201. Meetings are free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome. For more information, visit us at: www.DentonPoetsAssembly.weebly.com

**FORT WORTH POETRY SOCIETY**

*Anne Jones*

Both our president and vice-president were unable to attend the November meeting, so our secretary Susan Maxwell Campbell called our meeting to order. The opening poems were by Don Shook. He recited “Cellphone Blues,” one of his poems, and then Chaucer’s “General Prologue to the Canterbury Tales.” To our delight he did it in the original Middle English.

We had some reports about ArtsGoggle from those who attended, but since Steve Sanders was not present, we do not know the amount that was raised. We read poems and talked “poetry” to people passing by. They were generous in dropping money in the pot. We read pirate poems, regular poems, and children’s poems when someone rang our bell. Books of poetry were sold; however, at 6:45 pm a deluge of rain forced all the vendors to close up shop till the rain stopped. We were located on a different street this time and didn’t have as many people stop at our table. We hope to get a better spot in the spring. New business included plans for the December 12 meeting. We won’t have a business meeting; however, we will have a read-around after we have critiqued poems. Poems should be short. For refreshments, women will bring the sweets and gentlemen will bring the savories. Kudos were read and seven poems critiqued.

**HI-PLAINS CHAPTER**

*Von Bourland*

The Hi-Plains Chapter met at the Wolfin House in Amarillo on October 26 for a two-fold celebration: National Poetry Day and our chapter’s 41st anniversary since its origin October 21, 1972.

President Mary Yokum presented a Certificate of Appreciation to John Schmidt, Publicity Director, for his many endeavors, including working with Amarillo College/KACV Public Television for spot advertising Hi-Plains Poetry; reaching out to potential members; creating flyers for our annual banquets; and contacting our 2013 speaker, Dr. Pat Tyrer.

Dr. Pat Tyrer, Associate Professor of English at WTA&M University, teacher of Creative Writing, Technical Communication and American Literature, presented a program on Vers-Libre (Free Verse originating in 1905), including examples of different styles read aloud by volunteers in the group. The different styles included: short-lined; long-lined; variable-length; spatial or typographical arrangement; etc. She said, “The best free verse can surge in waves or retract, inventing itself as it goes.” She quoted Ezra Pound: “The worst free verse is prose chopped up into line lengths.” Wrap-up discussion included do’s and don’ts when entering poetry contests. Von Bourland related how, even with careful bookkeeping, she entered a previously published poem in the 2013 NFSPS contests. Since the poem won an honorable mention, she felt obligated to contact Contest Chairman, Mikki Pennington and NFSPS Encore Editor, Valerie Bailey.

Twenty people attended, including 11 members and 9 guests: Mackie Allgood, Josh Couri, Patsy Rae Dawson, Diane Dunn, Russell Crawford (7-month-old great-grandson of Barry and Von Bourland), Seleta Merrick, Sean Smith, Dr. Tyrer, and Ruth Zeeck.

**MOCKINGBIRD CHAPTER**

*Jessica Gonsoulin*

The first order of business at the November meeting was the drawing for door prizes. The grand prize was an oregano plant grown by Sylvia Medel and won by Beth Ayers.

Some feel the Mockingbird Facebook page is inaccessible, so Beth and her daughter are building a Web page. Beth has also lined up the Emeritus Nursing Home on Stonebridge for a poetry reading on November 16.

For our Christmas Inez Grimes brought a ham, and members each brought a dish and a gift costing $5 to $10. Christmas poems were read.

Dan McMillen was not present to conduct the workshop, but other poems were read. Following listening to a song recorded by Beth’s daughter, Susan Hanlon, colorful cupcakes were served.
POETS OF TARRANT COUNTY

Lynn Lewis

The minutes for the December 2, 2013 meeting of the Poets of Tarrant County are as follows: The meeting was called to order by President J. Paul Holcomb with 13 in attendance. Contemporary Poet Reader was Louin Berry, who read “Madam and the Census Man,” by James Mercer Langston Hughes. The minutes from the November meeting were approved with one correction. Treasurer Chuck Poole gave the treasury report. Christmas cards for Roberta Bowman and Juanita Griffey were signed by fellow members. Old Business: PTC anthologies were distributed to each member, free of charge, with extra copies selling for $2. New Business: President Holcomb announced the winners for the PTC annual member contest as Barbara Goerdel-HM; Ron Eddins-3rd place; Barbara Berry-2nd place; Naomi Simmons-1st place. It was motioned by Barbara Berry and seconded by Patricia Ferguson that the current group of officers be reinstated for the upcoming year. President Holcomb read the Kudos list. Spotlight Poet was Barbara Berry. Assignment poems were read and the meeting was adjourned for our Christmas party.

RUSK COUNTY POETRY SOCIETY

Vina Hathaway

The RCPS’s December 11th Christmas gala was at the home of President Sue Roberts in Arp. Poets read Christmas poems, had a wonderful pot luck lunch and exchanged wrapped Christmas gifts.

Sue Roberts presented a lesson at the November meeting using the poetic form by Afaa Weaver called the Bop. The Bop allows the poet to work through an issue, celebrate an event or person. The Bop is a way the poet presents himself to the world. The Bop uses music as part of its structure, but originated in the manner in which a person walks. Lesson assignment: Write a Bop poem. The 1st and last stanzas have 6 lines each. The 2nd stanza has 7 lines. A refrain follows each stanza taken from popular music.

Spotlight Poet, Reta Maxted read Richard Hurzeler’s poem, “Peek-a-Boo” and her own poem, “On Being 5 Years Old,” written in the style of poet Billy Collins.

At the Rusk County Poetry Society East Texas Fall Festival of Poetry Joyce McGee of Gary, Texas was named Poet of the Year by fellow writers at The East Texas Fall Festival of Poetry held recently at the Summit Club in Longview, Texas. Marie Dixon of Tyler took the coveted Harvest Award sponsored by Rusk County Poetry Society and judged by former PST president J. Paul Holcomb of Double Oak, Texas.

“I Remember Mama,” a tribute to poet and writer Jesse Jo Wedgeworth of Carthage, was presented by Peggy Wedgeworth of Nacogdoches and Denny and Barbara Wedgeworth of Longview.

The annual Fall Festival of Poetry is sponsored by Rusk County Poetry Society in Henderson, Texas and the Rose Garden Poetry Society in Tyler. Dr. David Craig of Henderson was the Voice of Poetry reading for the first place winners who could not be present. Dr. Craig, Sharon Taylor, Richard Hurzeler, Sue Roberts, President of RCPS and Mary Tindall were award presenters for the 2013 awards.

East Texas members and area poets who won honors include Richard Hurzeler, Mary Wood, Sue Roberts, Marie Dixon, Carol Thompson, and Miranda Cook all of Tyler. Also winning were Mary Tindall of Whitehouse, Evelyn Appelbee of Henderson, Eleanor Eilenberger of Palestine, Linda Amos of York, Pennsylvania; Tammy Rosin of Chugiak, Alaska; Vina Lee Hathaway of Lake Murvaul, Kaye Hart of Hallsville, Reta Maxted of Overton, Joyce Greenwalt of Nacogdoches, Adrienne Pamplin and Sharon Taylor of Longview, Tommy Lyons of Diana, Betty Norman of Marshall, Mickie Raney of Gun Barrel City, and Robert Goodwin and Joyce McGee of Gary.

SAN ANTONIO POETS ASSOCIATION

Valerie Martin Bailey

SAPA poets were well represented at the recent annual Awards Banquet in Dallas. Valerie Bailey chaired the event with the able assistance of Michaud (Floyd) L. Lamrouex. The decorations were made by our president, Sharon Turner and her daughter Tammie. Six of our members won awards and/or placed in the annual contests. Sheila Moore won 2 firsts and 25 other places, Loretta Vaughan won 2 firsts and 9 other places, Valerie Bailey won 1 first and 12 other places, Margaret Mayberry won 1 first and 5 other places, Wallace Vaughan won 6 places, and Pat Gibbs also won a place. Valerie Bailey also won a 1st and a 2nd in A Galaxy of Verse contests.

Joan Seifert, who is president of the Gibbons Literary Society and Pat Gibbs, who is first vice president and program chairman of the society, invited their fellow SAPA members, Valerie Bailey and Margaret Mayberry, to bring a poetry reading to a packed house at the society’s November 11 meeting.

In November and December SAPA members bring canned and boxed food, to our meetings, along with blankets and coats or sweaters. Our president, Sharon Turner, takes these donations to a local homeless shelter. Many new books were donated for our monthly book raffle to help pay the rent for our meeting facility.

Contest Chairman, Wallace Vaughan, announced the winners of the October contests that were judged by Linda Banks of Mesquite. Winners in the assigned topic of Magical Moments were: Valerie Bailey (1st place), Charlene Plover (2nd place), Wallace Vaughan (3rd place), and Pat Gibbs (honorable mention). Winners in the open topic were: Richard Graham (1st place), Jean Jackson (2nd place), Sheila Moore (3rd place), and Margaret Mayberry (honorable mention).

Program Chairman Michaud Lamrouex planned an open mic session for the November meeting with our own members reading additional poems besides our November contest poems. We all enjoyed the opportunity to share more of our poetry. Our November assigned topic poems had an appropriate theme of Heroes (personal or famous).

Peggy Hill spread a feast for us with soft rolls, pulled pork, cole slaw, and assorted vegetable trays and dips. Sharon Turner topped off the meal with a big tray of assorted cookies and brownies. We went home well nourished with both food and poetry.

Speaking of feasts, SAPA’s monthly meeting on December 21 featured our annual Christmas Luncheon, and our contributions to San Antonio homeless shelters.
WICHITA FALLS POETRY SOCIETY

Linda Smith

October 2013: The Wichita Falls Poetry Society met on Saturday, October 19, in the Texas Room of the Kemp Center for the Arts. Six members and two guests attended. President Doyle “Doc” Wood presided.

In the business meeting it was reported that the WFPS is still considering the possibility of hosting the PST State Conference in 2014. Doc will work with the PST leadership to see what support they provide, as the project is too large for our Society to manage on our own. He also reminded members of the PST monthly contests and encouraged them to enter.

Results of the October contest for Shape Poetry were announced and the poems entered were read. Winners are: Doyle Wood—1st; Linda Smith—2nd; Geneva Rodgers—3rd; and Sheri Sutton—1HM. Critic Judge was Valerie Martin Bailey of San Antonio.

Members then adjourned to Riverside Cemetery for a tour arranged by Prince Taylor. The weather cooperated, and the well-informed guide treated members to a history of Wichita Falls through stories about the graves and those buried in them. The contest for November was any form with a Halloween theme.

November 2013: The Wichita Falls Poetry Society met in its usual place on November 16. In the absence of Sheri Sutton and Doc Wood, Geneva Rodgers presided. After Brag Time and Roll Call, winners for November’s rhyming thematic Halloween poems were announced, and the poems were read. Winners were Doc Wood—1st; Deborah Kegley—2nd; Linda Smith—3rd; Webb Key—1HM; Cynthia Lewis—2HM. The Critic Judge was Jimmye Inez Sessions of Lewisville.

A lesson on the nonet was very ably taught by Geneva Rodgers, who used information prepared by Sheri, who was unable to attend due to a book signing. An excellent and entertaining activity on writing a nonet was led by Geneva, with all members participating. Entries in the January, 2014 contest for the nonet are due to Sheri by December 31, 2013.

[Editor’s Note: A nonet poem is a nine line poem, with the first line containing nine syllables, the next eight and so on until the last line has one syllable. Nonets can be written about any subject and rhyming is optional].

December 2013: Ten members and guests gathered for a Christmas luncheon and poetry-sharing time on Saturday, December 14. Food for the lunch was ordered and delivered by Doc Wood. Geneva Rodgers and Brenda Wood aided in the presentation of the meal. After the meal, Geneva involved members and their guests in a combination Christmas Bingo/Chinese Gift Exchange. Members read their original poetry or selections appropriate for the season from other authors and poets. It was a wonderful day of poetry and fun.

OTHER NEWS OF INTEREST

Poets Can Make a Difference

Well known PST poet, Marianne McNeil Logan was recognized by her Amarillo community when Danny Mize, the Bereavement Coordinator for Hospice Care of the Southwest, wrote an article for an online magazine recommending two of Marianne’s books for people who are grieving. He noted that Moments in Mourning and The Worth of Mirth: Poetry for People who Love to Laugh and Those who need To can be of help to those who have suffered a loss. Mize also wrote the following: “Marianne McNeil Logan is a much-loved poet and a local treasure. She is a Councilor-at-Large for the Poetry Society of Texas and has organized many writing activities for the Panhandle area writers. She helped establish cowboy poetry in the Panhandle—Old West Days, and monthly breakfasts at the Big Texan... She founded and moderated the Senior Citizens group for twenty years. Fifty-six members were published.” Kudos to Marianne for using poetry to make a difference in her city.

Book Donations Report from Barbara Blanks

At the December meeting, Librarian Barbara Blanks reported the following 31 books were donated to the permanent collection of the Dallas Public Library. The majority were older books and chapbooks donated by Sharon Martin Turner. Attendees were welcome to look at all the books, but Barbara formally presented only the two most current: Word Ghetto, by Loretta Diane Walker; A Galaxy of Verse, Fall/Winter 2013, Vol. 33, No. 2, edited by Barbara Blanks.


Lucidity, all copies edited by Ted O. Badger
First Quarter, 1987; Third Quarter, 1987; Fourth Quarter, 1987;
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1994; Summer, 1997; First Quarter, 1998; Winter, 1998
Poet Lore, Spring 1973, edited by John Williams Andrews
Sing Sesquicentennial, Anthology of Poems 1986
by Rusk County Poetry Society
Yearbook 2004 by Rusk County Poetry Society
Perceptions 89 by Houston Poetry Chapter of PST
Houston Poetry Fest Anthology, by Houston Poetry Fest
Echoes, 1996, a Poets Northwest Anthology
Like It Is, by Libby Stutz Bishop
Voices International, Vol. 22, #3, Fall 1987, edited by Clovita Rice
The Crossroads Anthology, Vols. 2 and 3, edited by Zinita Fowler
Fashioned Into Song, by Georgia C. Bader
My Heart Has Wings by Lillian Leatherwood

Wishing All PST Poets
A Happy and Blessed Holiday Season
MEMBERSHIP REPORT
from Membership Chair Lynn Lewis
Active: 160; Associate: 3; Honorary: 5; Library: 3; Life: 62; Student: 22; Supporting: 1; Recently Deceased: 0
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Start the Coming New Year Right
with these Ten Poetic Resolutions

• I resolve to attend my PST chapter meetings regularly
• I resolve to enter PST’s monthly contests as often as possible
• I resolve to enter PST’s annual contests
• I resolve to attend PST summer conference if at all possible
• I resolve to attend the Awards Banquet if at all possible
• I resolve to encourage my fellow poets in every way possible
• I resolve to read more poetry
• I resolve to write and submit more poetry for publication
• I resolve to have a teachable spirit and learn a new form
• I resolve to promote poetry in every way possible

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