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"Encouraging Poets Since 1935"

September 2026

President's Message

Dear Members,

Welcome to a vibrant season celebrating poetry, community, and creative discovery. I'm looking forward to greeting you all in Lansing on October 17 as we celebrate our 90th Anniversary as the Poetry Society of Michigan. [See page 2] For me, it is an extraordinary privilege to serve as your president, especially at this time of year. Autumn brings a natural turning of the season, a shift in light, and a fresh canvas for our collective imagination. In Michigan, where the landscape shifts from the rustling canopy of northern forests to the rhythmic tides of our Great Lakes, we are surrounded by a living poetry that begs to be captured in words.

Poetry is more than an art form; it is a vital bridge. It connects the solitary quiet of the writer's desk to the shared warmth of a listening room. In a world that often moves too fast, poetry demands that we slow down, pay attention, and witness the nuance of our lives. As members of PSM, you are the keepers of that literary intentionality. Whether you are a lifelong poet with volumes of published work or a newcomer hesitantly putting pen to paper for the

very first time, your voice is an essential thread in the rich tapestry of Michigan's literary heritage.

Our vision for the coming year is rooted in growth, inclusivity, and celebration. We are planning dynamic conferences designed to feed your creative spirit and hone your craft. Over the next twelve months, we hope to revamp our website and newsletter, collaborate with youth and other writing organizations, and support members wherever they are, giving readings or hosting workshops—from St. Joseph to Keweenaw, from Huron to Ludington—where our Spring 2027 conference will be held!

Lastly, to celebrate our 90 years of "encouraging poets," we have swag! Beautiful PSM bags will be available at the Fall conference in Lansing, and if you are or become a lifelong member, you will receive a lovely PSM bag free as a thank you for your on-going support..

In Light & Joy,
Shonda Buchanan

PSM Fall Conference 2026

In celebration of PSM's 90 years!

The Poetry Society of Michigan's Fall 2026 conference will be held on **Saturday, October 17th** in the **Lake Michigan Room of the Library of Michigan** (702 W. Kalamazoo St., Lansing; michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan; 517-335-1477)

Conference fees: **\$35** regular attendee; **\$20** student

Registration can be made online by PayPal or credit card at poetrysocietyofmichigan.com by October 10 (EVENTS or 2026 CONFERENCE Tab). Or mail-in your registration and check using the form below (no later than Oct 3). At-the-door payment or other arrangements should be made with Treasurer **Susan Herman** (treasurer.psm@gmail.com) no later than October 10.

2026 PSM Fall Conference REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Email address:

Enclosed is my payment of **\$35 each** for me and my guests (or **\$20** per student).

Guest Names:

Mail to: Fall Meeting 2026
The Poetry Society of Michigan
PO Box 1035
Cadillac, MI 49601

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

10-10:30 a.m.: Registration

Check in, pick up conference folder & sign up for the Traveling Trophy reading *or* the Anthology / Fall Book reading.

10:35 a.m.: Welcome by President Shonda Buchanan

10:45 a.m.: Brief Business Meeting (All members welcome)

11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.: Presentation/Workshop I With *Masaki Takahashi*

12:35-1:10 p.m.: Lunch & Social Hour (& Cake!) Visit book table for purchases and giveaways

1:10-2 p.m.: Presentation/Workshop II With *Dr. Suban Nur Cooley*

2-3 p.m.: Traveling Trophy Reading (Sign up at registration)

3-3:45 p.m.: Anthology/Open Reading (Sign up at registration)

4 p.m. Closing: President Shonda Buchanan

Our guest presenters will be the current Lansing Poet Laureate, **Dr. Suban Nur Cooley** (2026–2028) and **Masaki Takahashi**, Poet Laureate Emeritus of Lansing, Michigan (2022–2024), Founder and Host of the Poetry Room.

Suban Nur Cooley is an assistant professor at Michigan State University, where she teaches African American and African Studies and helps students explore how stories shape our understanding of the world. As Lansing's Poet Laureate, she brings poetry into everyday life—into schools, neighborhoods, and public spaces—inviting communities to experience poetry as something living, shared, and deeply connected to place.

The founder and host of the *Poetry Room* open mic and nonprofit, **Masaki Takahashi** has created a dynamic space where poets of all backgrounds can share their work and grow in their craft. A storyteller at heart, Masaki believes in poetry's transformative power to heal, challenge, and build community.

**More extensive biographies can be found on the Fall Conference 2026 page of the PSM website.*

Welcome the New Editor!

PSM member **Jan Wiezorek**, of Buchanan, Michigan, will assume editorship of the PSM *Newsletter* beginning with the December 2026 issue. Wiezorek follows in the role that has been held by **Phillip Sterling** since 2016. News items, articles, and other announcements for upcoming issues should be directed to Jan:

psmnewslettereditor.jw@gmail.com

Jan was winner of the 2024 Traveling Trophy Award, is a 2024 PSM Poetry Contest winner, and has served on the 2026 committee for *Peninsula Poets*. He is the author of two poetry chapbooks: *Forests of Woundedness* (Seven Kitchens Press, 2026) and *Prayer's Prairie* (Michigan Writers Chapbook Prize for Poetry, 2025). Jan holds a B.A. in Journalism from Iowa State University and an M.A. in English Composition/Writing from Northeastern Illinois University. For many years he wrote and edited stories and publications in health care, real estate, and the arts, including feature stories for the *Chicago Tribune*.

Of his taking on the editorship, Jan remarks, "I am excited about this opportunity, with a special shout-out to Phillip, for the editorial precedence he has set and for his assistance during this transition. I look forward to working with the members of the PSM community in promoting poetry in Michigan."

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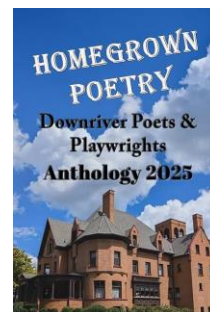
Autumnal Tanka

A divine Artist
With an invisible brush
Enchants us each year
With an array of colors
Painted on Nature's canvas

Mary Ann Bozenski

News from DP&P

Members of **Downriver Poets & Playwrights**, which meets the at **5:30 on first Tuesday of each month** at **Bacon Memorial Library in Wyandotte**, have been busy. Co-leaders **Dennis White** and **George Wylie** held two of the summer meetings in George's garden, which were videotaped for local TV and the group's YouTube channel (Downriver Poets & Playwrights Michigan). DP&P member **Pat Barnes** attended the NFSPS convention in Kansas, and DP&P poets sponsored several contest categories in PSM annual contests. The group, with increasing membership and diversity, also continues to promote its members' anthology: *Homegrown Poetry* (2025) which is found on Amazon. Copies of *Homegrown Poetry* will be available for purchase at the 2026 PSM Fall Conference. For info about DP&P contact Dennis at (734) 755-5988 or George: ghwylie@gmail.com.



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Greetings from your Treasurer & Historian

Dear Members,

What an exciting year we are having! Our Annual Contest has just wrapped up, the judges have selected, and the winning poems will be in the Fall/Contest edition of *Peninsula Poets*. In addition, our 5-Year Anthology *Power of Place*—containing the work of PSM Members active within our organization between 2020 to 2025—is off to the printer. I have seen a proof copy, and it truly is a book to be proud of. A great big THANK YOU to **Melanie Dunbar** and her Editorial Team for crafting these beautiful books! You all will definitely want to attend our Fall Conference in October to be among the first to get your hands on these two books!

As your Treasurer, I would like to report that the contest was successful! We are blessed by our generous contest sponsors that fully funded all of the prize money so the contest fees will cover the printing and distribution of the book itself. We also received two especially generous donations to help us with the printing and distribution costs of the 5-year anthology. We are so very thankful and grateful for this financial support that helps us accomplish PSM's mission of publishing and promoting members' poetry!

Speaking of membership, here's a reminder that October is the month that dues are renewed. But don't wait until the last minute! Renew now to be included on our 2027 Roster and to continue enjoying all of your membership benefits: (1) Eligibility to submit work for the Spring/Members edition of *Peninsula Poets*; (2) 2027 Membership with the National Federation of State Poetry Societies (NFSPS); (3) Quarterly Newsletters from both PSM & NFSPS (8 newsletter total); (4) Eligibility for the NFSPS Annual Contests; (5) Reduced entry fees for the PSM Annual Contests; (6) Members copy of both the spring & fall *Peninsula Poets*. Please visit us online to renew your membership today.

As PSM Historian, I thought it might be interesting to take a look back in time to our 2001 contest, 25 years ago. We had just 6 categories: Humor, Religious, Nature, Family and Friends, Love, and the PSM Open Contest. It is notable that a few of our current members placed in those contests, among them: **Marian Fram Tinknell**, **Betty J. Van Ochten**, and **Jane Mayes**. And now, 25 years later, they are still writing poetry and still PSM Members. That is true dedication to the craft!

Hope to see everyone at the Fall Conference! Until then, best wishes always,

Susan Herman

READ ME!

October is PSM membership renewal month.

Membership dues for 2027 are \$35 per person (\$20 for students), and you can

RENEW ONLINE!

at

poetrysocietyofmichigan.com

Again this year a Lifetime Membership for \$400 is also available. You won't have to renew ever again!

Not online? You can submit your dues by check to the address below, pay in person at the Fall Conference in Lansing, or contact Treasurer **Susan Herman** for other options:

treasurer.psm@gmail.com.

2027 Dues
The Poetry Society of Michigan
ATTN: Treasurer
PO Box 1035
Cadillac, MI 49601

Thank you for supporting PSM!

COMPANIONS ALL

Come join fellow members of PSM for an evening of poetry in celebration of the bonds between humans, animals, and the natural world, featuring **Keith Taylor, Alinda Wasner, Phillip Sterling, Jan Mordenski, and Linda K. Sienkiewicz** on Thursday, **September 24**, at the **Farmington Hills Nature Center** (24915 Farmington Rd., Farmington Hills), **6-7:30 p.m.** Free and open to the public. Refreshments and readers' books (for purchase) will be available!

READ ME TOO!

Check Out **Michigan Writers**
redesigned website
www.michwriters.org

for information about MW membership, publication opportunities (Michigan Writers Cooperative Chapbook Contest and *Dunes Review* are currently open for submissions), literary activities across the state, both online and in-person (by way of an interactive calendar), volunteer opportunities, and more.



Join us!

Companions All

A poetry reading celebrating the connection between humans, animals, and the natural world.

FEATURED POETS

- Jan Mordenski
- Phillip Sterling
- Alinda Wasner
- Keith Taylor
- Linda K. Sienkiewicz

Thursday, Sept. 24th
6 - 7:30 PM

Farmington Hills Nature Center
Heritage Park
24915 Farmington Rd., Farmington Hills

After a Night of Severe Weather*

August rears seditiously, muffling
summer's preen in sprawling fog,
a wet morning's long yawn. Songbirds

drowse belatedly. The only sounds
—but for the faint, occasional plea
of a barred owl some distance beyond

the gray pasture—are muted *plops*
of condensation dropping from grateful
but exhausted trees, raising scents of

night's passage from the damp gravel
of our road. August does us few favors
most days. But on mornings like these

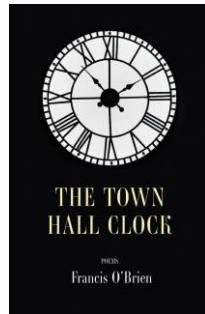
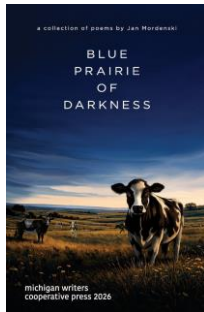
the world's clemency is revealed,
and the dog and I take ourselves out into it
more as a curiosity than a need.

Phillip Sterling

*From *Hamilton Stone Review* 54. Reprinted by permission.

The Printed Word

Jan Mordenski's collection of poems, *Blue Prairie of Darkness* was the winner of 2026 chapbook prize in poetry from **Michigan Writers Cooperative Press**, chosen by judge **Linda Nemec Foster**. In her judge's statement, Foster referred to *Blue Prairie of Darkness* as "indelible and quietly powerful." For chapbook availability and upcoming readings, contact Mordenski at jemordenski@hotmail.com.

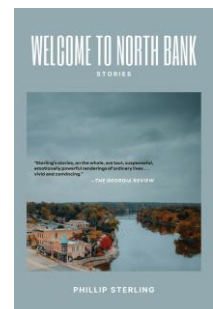


Frank O'Brien's new collection of poems, *The Town Hall Clock*, transports us to small town in Ireland in the 1970s: a place where the few who left rarely returned and those who stayed formed a close knit community that revolved around family-owned stores and pubs that had remain unchanged for decades; a time where simple pleasures ruled and everyone shared in them collectively and to the same degree. Published in May by **Finishing Line Press** (under his given name Francis O'Brien) the book is available from finishinglinepress.com and other online retailers.

Our friend **Deborah Ann Percy's** new novel, *A Second Opinion*, is just out from Mint Hill Books. Set along the coast of Lake Michigan, it's a literary mystery dealing with the disappearance of Allison Jensen, author of a popular mystery series. About *A Second Opinion* **Bonnie Jo Campbell** writes: "This novel fascinates, charms, and haunts." It can be ordered online from mainstreetragbookstore.com.

The Confluence: An Anthology of Grand Rapids Poets is available for pre-order at The Grand River Poetry Collective (grandriverpoetrycollective.com). A gathering of 208 poems by 76 writers, the anthology is comprised of "lyric meditation, narrative, formal invention, humor, and spoken-word energy" that "reveal a region not through one defining story but through many distinct currents." Scheduled for release on **October 8**, the anthology will be launched on that date by an open mic reading of contributors at **Fountain Street Church** (24 Fountain St) in **Grand Rapids** beginning at **5:30 p.m.** Books will be available for purchase.

Also now available for pre-order is **Phillip Sterling's** new collection of short stories, *Welcome to North Bank* (Cornerstone Press, November). A follow-up to *In Which Brief Stories Are Told* (Wayne State 2011), the collection follows characters who live in and around the fictional town of North Bank, Michigan. About the book, award-winning novelist **John Smolens** writes, "Sterling's stories sing, sometimes in praise, sometimes in awe, and taken together the collection brings to life a place and time that rises straight out of the American heartland." Pre-order for 20% off at Bookshop.org.



[Editor's Note: Always check availability of poetry books at Bookshop.org before defaulting to other online retailers. Bookshop partners with independent bookstores and supports indie presses.]

& Other News

Edward Morin has written new lyrics to the 1940s blues classic, “Why Don’t You Do Right.” His song, entitled “Do Right, Mr. President,” echoes the form and spirit of the original. Professional musicians recorded the song for a multi-media video, which is available on the blog site of the **Crazy Wisdom Poetry Circle**: <https://cwcircle.poetry.blog/post-archive/>. Check it out, repost it, share it with friends!

Former Honorary Chancellor **Jack Ridl** writes that he has passed the 100 blurb mark with recent words about new books by GF Korreck and Christine Rhein. Ridl also wrote the forward for the collection by **Alison Lake** from CavanKerry Press, and he received an unexpected invitation to write a piece to be on the new album by **Carrie Newcomer**, titled “Murmurations.” Jack recently led three workshops at the Ox-Bow art Colony of The Art Institute of Chicago and continues leading a monthly workshop on Zoom. Each Thursday he posts a video of “The Sentimentalist” which can be seen on YouTube, Facebook, and his website (www.ridl.com) where you can find information for spending time with Jack at his home or on Zoom. At 82, he claims his hands can no longer hold a pen, but he still feels poems most everywhere.

Arnold Johnston’s short story collection, titled *A Chance in the World*, has been accepted for publication by Main Street Rag. Comprising nine stories set mostly in Michigan, the collection has been described by novelist **Richard Katrovas** as “elegantly developed, understated, smart, and spooky.” The book should appear later this year or early in 2027. Arnie is also working on a couple of new poetry collections, and plays co-written by him and his wife **Deborah Ann Percy** continue to receive readings and productions around the country.

Don’t miss it! Register early for the PSM Fall Conference to Celebrate our 90 years!



**POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN
FALL CONFERENCE**

CELEBRATING 90  YEARS OF POETRY

Oct. 17, 2026 • 10 AM–3 PM

Library of Michigan | 702 W. Kalamazoo St.,
Lake Michigan Room | Lansing, MI 48915

ADMISSION | \$35 GENERAL | \$20 STUDENT

More Info & Registration at poetrysocietyofmichigan.com

WHAT TO EXPECT...

- Writing workshops & guest presenters
- The launch of our 5-Year Member Poetry Anthology
- Networking with writers of all ages

GUEST WORKSHOP LEADERS

Dr. Suban Nur Cooley
Lansing Poet Laureate (2026-2028)



Masaki Takahashi
Lansing Poet Laureate Emeritus (2022-2024), Founder & Host of the Poetry Room



Shonda Buchanan, President of PSM and author of *The Lost Songs of Nina Simone & Black Indian*, welcomes all Michigan poets & writers to attend the 2026 Fall Conference and **BECOME A MEMBER** of the Society!

poetry society • michigan poets • lansing events • poetry contest • writing community

A REMINDER: Winners of the **2026 Springfed Writers Contests** in poetry and prose will read their winning entries on **Tuesday, September 29**, at **Unity of Royal Oak** (2500 Crooks Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073) starting at **7 p.m.** Coffee and cookie kiosk. *Free and open to the public.* The complete list of winners can be found in the PSM *Newsletter* for June or at springfed.org

Poetry Society of Michigan Contests 2026 WINNERS

Category 1: Margo LaGattuta Memorial Award.

Judge: *Ken Meisel*

- 1st: "Foreclosed" by **Joy Gaines-Friedler**
(Farmington Hills, MI)
2nd: "Walters on Washington" by **Sherrin Frances**
(Saginaw, MI)
3rd: "She Learns" by **Joanne Gram** (Lansing, MI)
HM: "To My Lost Daughter, as She Grieves" by
Marianne Peel (Lexington, KY)

Category 2: Chancellor's Prize

Judge: *Keith Taylor*

- 1st: "Another Type of Alpine Divorce" by **Lynne Schmidt** (Norway, ME)
2nd: "California Dreams" by **Polly Opsahl**
(Davison, MI)
3rd: "To Be in New Orleans Tonight" by **Shawna Braun** (Flagstaff, AZ)
HM: "Goodness" by **Maureen Hart** (Lansing, MI)

Category 3: Founder's Prize

Judge: *Cindy Hunter Morgan*

- 1st: "Train Dispatch—Iowa" by **Maureen Hart**
(Saginaw, MI)
2nd: "A Legacy of Philately" by **Marianne Peel**
(Lexington, KY)
3rd: "Winter Postcards" by **Katherine Edgren**
(Dexter, MI)
HM: "Letter to My Younger Sister" by **Linda Nemec Foster** (Grand Rapids, MI)

Category 4: Barbara Sykes Memorial Prize

Judge: *Diane DeCillis*

- 1st: "Cicada Apocalypse" by **Ginny Grush**
(Farmington Hills, MI)
2nd: "Irish Weather Forecast" by **Francis O'Brien**
(Pacifica, CA)
3rd: "The Best Things I Have Learned from
Student Papers" by **Michelle DeRose** (Grand
Rapids, MI)
HM: "The Impossible Dream" by **David James**
(Linden, MI)

Category 5: George Dila Memorial Prize

Judge: *Marc Sheehan*

- 1st: "Almost Epiphany" by **Jill Doster Marcusse**
(Grand Rapids, MI)
2nd: "Cupid with a Musket" by **Linda Rosenthal**
(Fremont, MI)
3rd: "Morning" by **Cynthia Weber Nankee**
(Canton, MI)
HM: "New Year's Resolutions" by **Linda Nemec Foster** (Grand Rapids, MI)

Category 6: Jude P. Dunbar Memorial Prize

Judge: *Robert Haight*

- 1st: "Ruby Throat at Midsummer" by **Michelle DeRose** (Grand Rapids, MI)
2nd: "Park San Miguel, Spain" by **Marianne Peel**
(Lexington, KY)
3rd: "Fledgling Calls" by **Chelsea Szczembara**
(Brighton, MI)
HM: "Earth Elegy" by **Dawn Levitt** (Harrison
Township, MI)

Poetry Society of Michigan Contests 2026 WINNERS [continued]

Category 7: Overcoming Adversity

Judge: *Jan Worth*

- 1st: "Find a Roost" by **Joy Gaines-Friedler**
(Farmington Hills, MI)
2nd: "Kintsugi" by **Ann Glumac** (Duluth, MN)
3rd: "Life Lines" by **Isabella J. Mansfield** (Howell, MI)
HM: "How To Ask" by **Joanne Gram** (Lansing, MI)

Category 8: The Faruq Z. Bey Award for Poetry Related to Music

Judge: *Dennis Hinrichsen*

- 1st: "Für Elise in the Waiting Room" by **Colleen Alles** (Grand Rapids, MI)
2nd: "Love Song for Judy Collins" by **Marianne Peel** (Lexington, KY)
3rd: "I Kept Your Pillow Next to Me Until It Was Stale" by **Sherrin Frances** (Saginaw, MI)
HM: "The Singing Forest" by **Lynne Schmidt** (Norway, ME)

Category 9: Loss

Judge: *Alan Basting*

- 1st: "Two Women" by **Lissa Perrin** (Ann Arbor, MI)
2nd: "Fannie Lou Hamer's Note to My Dad" by **Nan Jackson** (East Lansing, MI)
3rd: "Weekends With Mom" by **Terry Jude Miller** (Richmond, TX)
HM: "They Sell Hazmat Suits at Home Depot" by **Joy Gaines-Friedler** (Farmington Hills, MI)

Category 10: Women in Science

Judge: *Christine Rhein*

- 1st: "Mary Anning: Rewriting the History of Life on Earth" by **Marianne Peel** (Lexington, KY)
2nd: "Proof" by **Katherine Edgren** (Dexter, MI)
3rd: "The Slumbering Quiet" by **Susan Haifleigh** (Northville, MI)
HM: "Truth in Discovery" by **Debra Belcher** (Tustin, MI)

Congratulations to PSM Winners in the 2026 NFSPS Annual Contests

Among the Michigan poets who received awards or recognition in the 2026 National Federation of Poetry Societies Contests were **Patricia Barnes** (Wyandotte), **Rebecca Bieber** (Ann Arbor), **Jacquelyn Block** (Saint Clair Shores), **Steven M. Brown** (Kalamazoo), **Dr. Emory D. Jones** (PSM member currently residing in Iuka, MS), **Cynthia Nankee** (Canton), Former PSM President **Polly Opsahl** (Oscoda), and **Randy K. Schwartz** (Ann Arbor). Several poets were winners in multiple categories. A hearty CONGRATULATIONS to all, and a big THANK YOU for helping to promote Michigan's literary communities.

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Literary Locals: Writers Welcome

Confirm with Organization before Attending!

Downriver Poets & Playwrights meets regularly on the first Tuesday of the month at Bacon Memorial Library in **Wyandotte** at 6:00 p.m. Contact **Dennis White** at 734-755-5988 or dennis68white@aol.com for more information.

The Grand River Poetry Collective hosts readings and workshops twice monthly in Grand Rapids. For info and upcoming events visit grandriverpoetrycollective.com or their online literary platform theriverlit.com.

For information about the many activities and gatherings of **Friends of Poetry—Kalamazoo**, contact **Elizabeth Kerlikowske** (mme642@yahoo.com) or visit their Facebook page.

Crazy Wisdom Poetry Circle of Ann Arbor meets on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. All sessions are virtual and accessible through Zoom. Additional info: <https://cwcircle.poetry.blog/>. Email cwcircle@gmail.com for Zoom link.

Rochester Poets' Society meets at the Rochester Hills Public Library, in **Rochester**, from 1-3 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month. For more info Contact **Nancy Stevens** 248-303-2613 or email writings80@yahoo.com.

Marquette Poets Circle meets on first Monday of the month in the Peter White Library Conference Room at 5:30 for workshop, 6:30 for Open Mic. For more info contact **Marty Achatz** at machatz@pwpl.info or 906-226-4322.

Women are welcome to join **Third Place Poets** the **second Sunday** of every month, **1:00-4:00 p.m., in the Dodge Room of the Commerce Township Public Library** (180 Commerce Road). Email thirdplacepoets@gmail.com for more info.

Ludington Writers meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Judith Minty Room (second floor) of the **Ludington Area Center for the Arts**, 107 S. Harrison St., Ludington. All are welcome. Second and Fourth Tuesdays are critiques. For info visit ludingtonwriters.org or call **Nicole Birkett** (231) 742-8550.

Poets Meet Musicians hosts open mic the last Monday of the month at **Middle Coast** brewery (329 E. State St., **Traverse City**). For updates and info, call or text **Tom Mair** at 231-392-6121 or traversemedia@yahoo.com

The **Southeast Michigan Poetry Meet-up** hosts free workshops on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. at **Panera Bread**, 30955 Woodward Ave., in **Royal Oak**, MI. Bring hard copies of your poem to share. RSVP at meetup.com. For more information, call **Carla Dodd** at 248-961-3636.

The **Lansing Poetry Club** generally meets once a month at a different member's house. For more info or to confirm a meeting, visit Facebook or email LPC President **Ruelaine Stokes** (ruelastokes@gmail.com) or Board member **Cheryl Caesar** (caesarc@msu.edu).

The **Detroit Poetry Salon** is a bi-weekly ZOOM meeting of poets who have, according to liaison **Nancy Shattuck**, "bonded in Spring Fed [Arts] poetry classes." You do not need to be a Springfed or PSM member to join. Interested poets should contact Nancy for more info at shattucknj@gmail.com.

River Junction Poets of Saginaw meet regularly throughout the year. For dates and times and other info, visit their Facebook page or email **Christine Rohr** at docxrohr@aol.com