

**GULF COAST POETS CHAPTER
OF THE POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS
January 8, 2011 - General Meeting**

Featured Guests



Bonetrees/Arboles de Huesos
Julio R. Marquina, Carlos Marquina

Arboles de Huesos usually performs with three members, Julio Marquina, Carlos Marquina, and Julio R. Marquina, but the latter is coaching a soccer game in Willis, Texas today and cannot be with us.

This group has performed in many venues, including at the 2008 Poetry Society of Texas Summer Conference in Houston. The Gulf Coast Poets Chapter is proud to present their return engagement to the GCP.

2011 MEMBERSHIP FEES

Help us bring in great speakers by joining or renewing today. Membership fees allow us to thank our speakers by taking them to lunch after meetings, and giving them a small honorarium. Dues are temporarily \$10.00. Please fill out a copy of the application and hand it in at the meeting. After today, dues return to \$15.00.

Member Led Readings, Workshops, Critique Groups

Saturdays

Gulf Coast Poets General Meeting

Most Second Saturdays (Webster) Moderator, Mary M. Carlisle
FMI Contact: GulfCoastPoets@gmail.com

Sundays

Poetry Works Workshop

Most First Sundays, (Seabrook) Moderator: Mary M. Carlisle
FMI: Sol.Editor@prodigy.net (RSVP Req)

Mondays

Seabrook Coffee Oasis Poetry Reading Series

First Mondays (Seabrook), Moderator: Adriana Vázquez
FMI Contact: borimex@swbell.net

Gulf Coast Poets Critique Group

Most Fourth Mondays (Seabrook) ~ Moderator: Needed
FMI Contact: GulfCoastPoets@gmail.com (RSVP req)

Tuesdays

Galveston Poets Roundtable

Second Tuesday (Galveston), Moderator: John Gorman
FMI Contact: Billie McCauley <gmaaa@aol.com>

Barnes & Noble Poetry Reading & Open Mic

Fourth Tuesdays (Webster), MC: Oscar Pena
FMI Contact: pena554343@aol.com Featured in January: GCP
Member Dick Peake

Wednesdays

Poetry Works Workshops - Lunch With a Poet

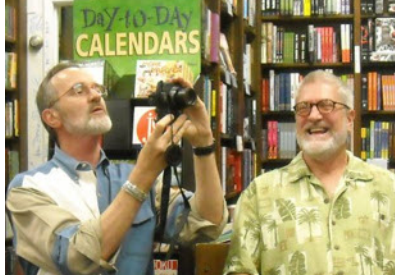
Every Wednesday Jan/Feb, (Seabrook) Moderator: Mary Carlisle
FMI Contact: Sol.Editor@prodigy.net (RSVP Req)

Fridays

First Friday

Most First Fridays (Houston), Moderator: Robert Clark
FMI Contact: Houstonfirstfri@aol.com

AT THE NEXT GULF COAST POETS MEETING
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The Gulf Coast Poets regret to announce that our friend and first Lifetime Member David Hicks passed away during December, 2010. Our condolences to his family.

Send Venue Information to: GulfCoastPoets@gmail.com

Visit us on Facebook:
<http://www.facebook.com/gulfcoastpoets>

Find a membership form at our website:
<http://GulfCoastPoets.info/>

Twenty-three GCP members belong to PST!

Prior GCP-Meeting Minutes
09/11/2010
Recording Secretary: Laura Pena

10:36 Meeting started

Announcements

Poetry Out of Bounds held at Barnes & Noble Webster

Featured speaker Dr. John Gorman

Sign in sheet passed around for those wishing to be part of Poetry Out of Bounds

Welcome Jean Mahavier, new member of GCP

Featured speaker: Franchesca Alamo

17 years old, senior at Duschene Academy, member of Poets Northwest. Franchesca gave a workshop at the Poetry Society of Texas' summer conference to promote love and awareness of poetry in schools. She is the founder of Blossoming Ink www.blossomingink.tumblr
For more information contact her at franchesca.alama@hotmail.com

In her own words "Writing a poem is dynamic. I write by inspiration not perspiration." She is inspired by man-made things, music, and literature. Poetry she read: Invocation to Arachne, Winter Butterfly (inspired by The Killers) Romeo & Juliet what is love?, Gregorian Chants, Dearly Beloved-inspired by Toni Morrison's *Beloved*, You were Mine in January-inspired by *Crime & Punishment*.

Open Mic - Poets/Poems

1. Mary Carlisle-Library Card
2. Jean Mahavier-Neighborhood Infill
3. Diana Cordova-Journey Inward
4. Debi Fairchild-8 Terriers
5. Penelope McFadden-Don't Fret, Brazos, Flying, Iron Horses
6. Laura Peña-What Fits in a Hand
7. Dr. John Gorman-Out and About

General Announcements

First Wednesdays in each semester, University of Houston/Clear Lake poetry readings, on-campus coffee shop, start at 5pm

Poetry Northwest meet Sat. Oct. 9th for a workshop 9:30-3:30pm featuring Anne McCrady. FMI about Poets Northwest, contact francesca.Alamo@hotmail.com

October Reading at Blue Willow Bookstore 15432 Memorial Dr. @ Dairy Ashford for the 2011 Texas Poetry Calendar

11:42 Meeting adjourned to lunch at Dimassi's.

GCP-Holiday Party- 12/10/2010

Many thanks to our wonderful speakers: Dr. John Gorman, David Cowan, and Daniel Rice. Winners of the competition for the best holiday poem: 1st-Barbara Carle, 2nd-Oscar Peña, 3rd-Terry Miller, 4th-David Cowan.

Memberships renewed at the Holiday Party: Barbara Carle, Diana Cordova, Kay Coz, Kelly Ellis, Jean Mahavier, Darla McBryde, Penelope McFadin, John Milkereit, Terry Miller, Laura Pena,

Texas Poetry Calendar 2012 Guidelines

Submit 1-3 typewritten poems in 12-pt. Times New Roman font; 35-line limit per poem, including title and spaces.

No email submissions; no previously published poems.

Do not place your name or other identifying information on the poems themselves.

Poems with a Texas connection preferred.

Submit a cover letter that includes:

- * the title of each poem (first line for an untitled poem, although we strongly prefer titled poems)

- * your email address and phone number

- * a writer's bio of 100-200 words, including information about your publication history and achievements as a writer

If you do not have an email account, include an SASE for contact. Poems not be returned, do not send your only copy!

NOTE: We strongly prefer to communicate by email. If you change your email address, please let us know immediately.

Contributors published in the calendar will receive one complimentary copy of the Texas Poetry Calendar 2012.

Decisions will be made by May 2011.

All submissions are eligible for the 2012 Texas Poetry Calendar Awards. The 2012 contest judge is esteemed poet Barbara Ras.

Include a check for \$5.00, payable to Dos Gatos Press.

All mailed submissions must be postmarked by Monday, February 21, 2011. Send to:

Dos Gatos Press
Texas Poetry Calendar 2012
1310 Crestwood Road
Austin, Texas 78722

(Poetry Works Workshop this Sunday: Writing for the Texas Poetry Calendar. Contact Sol.Editor@prodigy.net to RSVP.)

Gulf Coast Poets

Treasurer Report for Jan 8, 2011 General Meeting
 Report Period: Sep 1 – Dec 31, 2010 -- with 2010 YTD totals
 This report covers the three month period since last report.

Cash Flow: Sep 1 – Dec 31, 2010		Total for yr. 2010
Contests.....	0.00	0.00
Dues.....	125.00	400.00
Lifetime (0)	0.00	
Founding (1)	10.00	
Chapter (12)	115.00	
Speaker Expense.....	-35.81	-228.68
Honorarium	-25.00	
Speaker Lunch	-10.81	
Donations.....	0.00	0.00
Interest/Dividend.....	.89	3.57
Luncheon Dec 2010.....	**162.25	**162.25
Meal income	382.00	
Restaurant charge	-378.75	
Donations (cash + sales)	159.00	
Expenses (not yet available)	Not Avail	
Other (Web domain thru 10/2011)	.00	-17.00
Net Cash flow, Sep 1 – Dec 31	252.33	320.14

**Expenses other than the restaurant charge are not yet available.

Account Balances: Sep 1 – Dec 31, 2010		-	Total for year
Checking Ledger			
<i>Begin</i>		1896.91	1789.10
Transferred from Cash	666.00		(1/1/2010)
Checks written (1)	-25.00		
Debit card (2)	-389.56		
Dividend	.89		
Ending		2149.24	2149.24
Outstanding checks (2)	35.00	Bank chk bal=2184.24	
Cash (undeposited checks, cash)			
<i>Beginning</i>		0.00	40.00
Received	666.00		
Transferred to Checking	-666.00		
Ending		0.00	0.00
Savings (int. posted quarterly)			
<i>Beginning</i>		5.33	5.33
Ending		5.33	5.33
All accounts			
<i>Beginning</i>	9/1/2010	1902.24	1834.43
<i>Ending</i>	12/31/2010	2154.57	2154.57

Treasurer Reports will normally end on the last day of the month preceding the meeting and cover the month(s) since the previous report.

Chapter Member	2010	Ted O. Badger	PST
Founder	2010	Jan Bernstein	PST
Honorary Lifetime	N/A	Alan Birkelbach (2010)	PST
Lifetime Member	N/A	Diana Dettling Buckley	PST
Chapter Member	2011	Barbara Carle	PST
Founder - Lifetime	N/A	Mary M. Carlisle (President)	PST
Honorary Lifetime	N/A	Robert Clark (2009)	
ChapterMember	2011	Diana Cordova	
Founder - Lifetime	N/A	David Cowen	
ChapterMember	2011	Kay Cox	PST
Lifetime Member	N/A	Patricia Dixon	PST
Founder	2010	Edith Escalante	
Chapter Member	2011	Kelly Ellis	
Chapter Member	2010	Susan Ellis	
Founder	2010	Lauran Perry English	PST
Chapter Member	2010	Sybil Estess	PST
Founder	2010	Debi Fairchild	PST
Founder - Lifetime	N/A	Ann Fogelman	PST
Chapter Member	2010	Dede Fox	
Chapter Member	2010	Mary Ann Goodwin	PST
Chapter Member	2010	Sharon Goodwin	
Honorary Lifetime	N/A	John Gorman (2007)	PST
Chapter Member	2010	Addie (Kathy) Hall	
Founder	2010	Jill Haugen	
Founder	2011	Glynn Monroe Irby	
Chapter Member	2010	Mary Kimmel	
Chapter Member	2010	Philip Kimmel	
Founder	2010	Leslie Kriewaldt	
Honorary Lifetime	N/A	Peggy Z. Lynch	PST
Chapter Member	2011	Jean Mahavier	
Chapter Member	2011	Darla McBryde	
Chapter Member	2011	Penelope McFadin	
Chapter Member	2011	John Milkereit	
Chapter Member	2011	Terry J. Miller	PST
Chapter Member	2011	Laura Peña (Secretary)	PST
Chapter Member	2011	Oscar Peña	PST
Lifetime Member	N/A	Richard Peake	PST
Founder	2010	Katherine Sanger	PST
Founder- Lifetime	N/A	Lynne Streeter	PST
Chapter Member	2010	Sandy Stromberg	
Honorary Lifetime	N/A	Larry Thomas (2008)	
Chapter Member	2010	William Turner	
Chapter Member	2010	Marie Delgato Travis	PST
Founder	2010	Rebecca Hatcher Travis	PST
Founder	2010	Adriana Babiak Vázquez (Vice President)	
Founder	2010	Luis Vázquez	
Founder	2011	Leo F. Waltz (Treasurer)	PST