



**April
National Poetry Month
Volunteers Needed**

As you all know, April is National Poetry Month. Poets' all over the United States celebrate this poetically exciting month with poetry events throughout large cities, small villages, and townships. We are happy to announce that there are some exciting events in the works for Albuquerque as well. Earlier in this edition, Larry Castillo-Wilson had mentioned that the elementary schools are planning poetry agendas for their students. Please get with Larry to volunteer for that event at casidy@cableone.net.

Bonnie Rucobo has been working on another children's poetry event. There will be two presentations with children at the Albuquerque main library during the month of April. Again we ask for volunteers to assist in this project. Please get with Bonnie at mechistle@gmail.com if you are interested in helping at the library.

There is another poetry event in the future planning with Lee Francis and Zack Kluckman. This project will also be involved with the youth slammers of Albuquerque. Bonnie will probably need some volunteers for this event as well. Since it is still in the planning stages, the dates have not been secured, but September has been suggested.



Recruiting Members for NMSPS

If you know of any persons who would like to join our poetry organization please direct them to Hilda Wales at dhwales@comcast.net. Please inform your friends that our yearly dues is broken down by quarters. For example, our dues is only \$16 per year. This allot is stipend by \$4 per quarter. Our fiscal year starts on November first. First quarter is from November through January. Second quarter is from February through April. Third quarter covers May through July. And finally fourth quarter is from August through October. Since we are in the second quarter from February through April, your friend would pay a total of \$12 to join NMSPS as of today through October 31st. Please inform your friends that our dues helps pay for the printing of the newsletter, the mailing of the newsletter to all members. Dues also covers contests expenses and prizes as well as licenses.

Thank you for supporting NMSPS with your poetry, friendships.

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