



1993

League of Utah Writers

# The Lariat

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## President's Message

by Norbert Bensch

**T**he deadline has passed. The judging is in progress. Before you know it we'll all be sitting around banquet tables in Ogden, waiting for our names to be called.

It's gratifying to note that participation increased in several categories. The changes made in the youth category resulted in many times more entries than in previous years. Unfortunately, three contests were cancelled due to an insufficient number of entries. Two, the young adult book and teen story categories, fell just three entries short of the contest minimum. Manuscripts returned from these categories can be re-entered in a future contest. The One-Act Play/TV Script competition in its present form has been so poorly received in recent years that it will be removed from our contest list. Watch for a new category in next year's rules: perhaps a theme contest. Time and change, it seems, are inevitable.

Hyrum Smith (Franklin Quest) says that time is what keeps one thing after another from being every darned

thing at once. In the past two years we've made changes in the contests, the directory and chapter funding. This year we've co-sponsored an additional writing workshop and an artistic performance of our contest winners from 1992. We are still waiting for requests to co-host more regional seminars for writers, but have had no response from chapter presidents. All these activities are designed to increase our interaction with other members of the artistic community.

Deadlines are an artificial limitation of time we impose on ourselves to accomplish something. In truth, we each have all the time there is. We decide when to accomplish/create/change things. We decide when what we see is good enough or when it must be improved by our thoughts, emotions, skills or vision. If we choose the status quo, if we choose to stand back, if we let the writers write and the thinkers think and fail to participate in the process -- we have edited ourselves out of the future. Keep writing.

## David Lee and Bepie Harrison Highlight Ogden Round-up

**P**oets and folks who love a good time rejoice! Our headline speaker for this year's roundup is the renowned humorous poet David Lee. In addition to his featured poetry speech at the Sunday awards breakfast, he will be teaching two sessions during the Saturday workshop. We also have Bepie Harrison, the Michigan writer/editor who was the hit of last year's round-up.

Bepie's topics will include "Growing from Rejection" and "Preparing a Book Proposal."

We've also engaged a husband and wife team as speakers. Robert Wolverton, photo journalist, will speak about increasing sales through the use of photography. Diane Wolverton is a writer/editor who will teach a two-part workshop on creating a business plan as a writer and small press publishing.

Negotiations are still underway with a screenwriter, a short story specialist, a literary agent and a major novelist to complete the program. A special issue will follow when speakers and the time schedule have been confirmed.

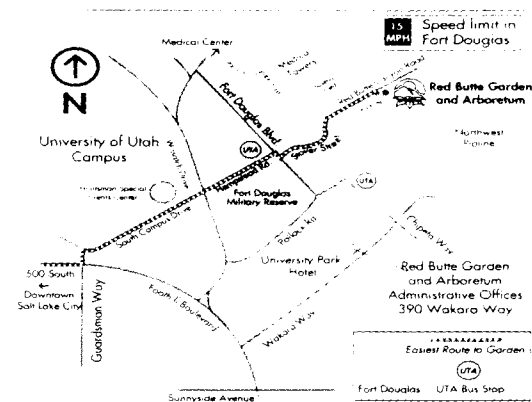
## HAPPENING NOW!

### Readings in the Garden: An Evening with Utah Authors

**T**he cornerstone of our League summer activities, the professional reading of winning entries from last year's contest, will be held this **Thursday, July 15**. A reception for members of Maud May Babcock Reading Arts Society and the League of Utah Writers will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Red Butte Garden and Arboretum just above the University of Utah campus.

This event replaces the summer meetings for both Craft House and Salt Lake Chapter members, so please plan to attend. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. and should last about 80 minutes. Schedule extra time to enjoy one of the finest outdoors the west has to offer.

The program is not generally suited to children, but the gardens are large enough that unruly behavior can be moved to another area. Dress appropriately for the evening temperatures and share an evening. The alternate site in case of weather will be the Fine Arts Auditorium on Wasatch Drive.



## Chapter Chatter

### Blue Quill

Lynn Miller published a short humor piece, "Giuseppe," in *Coal People Magazine*. Polly Harrington was chosen Clubwoman of the Year by the General Federation of Women's Clubs. She also won the Annual Excellence in the Arts Award in Arts Education from the Ogden City Arts Commission.

LaVon Carroll won three Honors for Jesse Poet, won first in *Byline* and was published in the winter issue of the Utah Historical Quarterly. Wanda Blaisdell won a first for "An Extra-Ordinary Therapist."

Barbara Bernstein wrote the text for the Eccles Dinosaur Park brochure and also completed a video script for Weber County.

June Krambule's article and photos, "Spring's Spectacular Bulbs," appeared in *Your Home* and *Indoors and*

*Out* magazines. Clarence Socwell judged for NFSPS and won ribbons in photography from the Ogden Camera Club and Photographic Society of America, including "Slide of the Year."

Helen Cook won third place in Jesse Poets and had a reading on May 8 at the Weber County Library.

### Bountiful Writers

Trisa Martin won a publication award in the *Ensign* contest for her article, "Sacrifice, Service, Sisters." Her article "Daffodils, Praying Mantis Eggs and Rocks" won a special honorable mention in a *Byline* contest.

### Craft House

A chapter contest was held in April with the theme, "Utah." Awards were presented at the May 5 meeting. Fiction category: Bonnie Robinson, first; Dan Leatham, second. Non-fiction: Connie Trump, first; Helen Glissmeyer,

second. Poetry: Maxine Crapo, first; Theda Bassett, second.

LaVon Sullivan won third honorable mention in a contest of the Black Hills Branch of Penwomen. Carol Quist is now working for a publisher. She recently won first place in the American Mother's Contest in poetry.

### Wasatch Writers

Vera Bakker published "Give of Yourself" in the April issue of *Friend* and a poem, "Cabin Among the Pines" in *Poetry Panorama*.

Kathy Kelly is a regular contributor to the Davis County Lakeside Review. A recent article featured Vera Bakker. Marge Silvester is also a columnist for the same publication. Arlene Hamblin had two of her hymns performed on Temple Square as part of the Winter Concert Series. Carol Robinson wrote two training manuals for a U.S. government on-line system.

## Directories Available for 1993

The 1993 League directories have been completed and are in the hands of chapter presidents. Much of the delay was due to slow reporting of membership. This year's edition includes alphabetical listings, listings by chapter membership and the Speaker's Bureau list.

To save the substantial postage fees required to mail the directories individually, members should attend their next chapter meetings to pick up their copies. If health problems or other considerations prohibit your attendance, contact your local president to make arrangements.

Chapter presidents should use their own judgement in distributing unclaimed directories.

## Utah English Journal Calls for Papers

The theme of the 1994 volume of the Utah English Journal is "Literary Utah." The editors are looking for submissions from teachers and students who have been affected by Utah literature. The types of submissions are unlimited. Here is a sampling of their brainstorming list:

- Interviews with Utah authors
- Poems by Utah writers
- Articles showing how a piece of Utah literature can be used in the classroom
- Games, crosswords, etc. using Utah authors
- Reviews of Utah books
- Memoir of "the Utah writer I knew in my hometown"
- Essay on how a Utah writer, book, play or poem influenced me
- Creative pieces by young Utah writers

The *Utah English Journal* is a refereed publication. In order to meet their deadlines, submissions and/or letters of intent should be submitted by September 30. Final deadline for material is in December.

No mention of payment was made. If you are interested in this publication, contact guest editors Patricia Stoddart, English Department, Logan High School, Logan, UT 84321 or Joyce Kinkead, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322-0700.

## Utah Readers and Authors Featured in Red Butte Program

### Readers

Richard R. Anderson  
 Julia Bertoch  
 Teddy Fullmer  
 Bryan Gardner  
 Yvonne Huegly  
 J. Boyer Jarvis  
 Elroy Jones  
 Joyce Marder  
 Brad Nygren  
 Gene Pack  
 Beverly Rowland  
 Oscar Rowland  
 Lauraine Stephens  
 Shirlee Shields  
 Peter Steenblink  
 Wanda Thomas  
 Ronda Wanberg  
 Vyrle Woolston

### Authors

Alice Morrey Bailey  
 Vera Bakker  
 Martha H. Balph  
 Karla Burkhart  
 LaVon Carroll  
 Helen Mar Cook  
 Grace Diane Jessen  
 Lynn Miller  
 Kolette Montague  
 Jacqueline Moulton  
 Peter Ostrom  
 Marva Jean Pedersen  
 Geraldine R. Pratt  
 Carol B. Quist  
 Shirlee H. Shields  
 Shan Thomas  
 Belle deJong VanWagenen  
 Jennifer Wagnon

Event sponsored by League of Utah Writers, Maud May Babcock Reading Arts Society, Salt Lake City Arts Council, Utah Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts. Please, no pictures, picnics or disruptive children during the performance

**Red Butte Garden**  
**July 15, 1993**  
**7:00 p.m.**

## Wasatch Review Workshop with LUW Debuts Successfully

The workshop held at Salt Lake Community College on June 5th was a stunning success. Nearly one hundred writers and presenters gathered for the day-long sessions which were held in the College Center.

Co-sponsored by the League of Utah Writers and Wasatch Review International, the event was part of the League's attempt to expand its influence with the writing community. In exchange for League participation, members who attended received discounted registration rates.

According to Tory Anderson, editor for *Wasatch Review*, the event was so well received that *WR* will consider a repeat performance in another city next year.

Watch for the announcements of upcoming events

## Registration Form 1993 League of Utah Writers Round-up

Ogden Park Hotel, 247 W. 24th St, Ogden, Utah September 10, 11 & 12

Please mark the number of reservations you wish for round-up events, then fill in the names below. Remember that hotel accommodations are your own responsibility (Park Hotel: 1-800-421-7599).

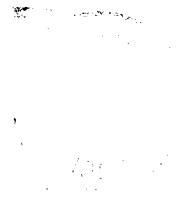
	League Members	Non-members	Total
Reception Friday evening, September 10	_____ @ \$10	_____ @ \$10	_____
Saturday Workshop, September 11			
A.M. Session	_____ @ \$15	_____ @ \$20	_____
P.M. Session	_____ @ \$15	_____ @ \$20	_____
All Sessions	_____ @ \$20	_____ @ \$30	_____
Awards Banquet	_____ @ \$20	_____ @ \$25	_____
Poetry Lovers Breakfast, September 12	_____ @ \$15	_____ @ \$20	_____
All Events	_____ @ \$50	_____ @ \$70	_____

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At-the-door registrations will be charged at the non-member rate. Please register prior to 9/5/93. Mail check for proper amount to League of Utah Writers, 1508 West Elmhill Circle, Murray, UT 84123

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