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### President's Message

The Stroll of Poets Society has a Mission and Mandate: To promote acceptance of poetry through vehicles such as poetry festivals, public readings, and associated activities. Throughout the Stroll year, then, the Board members work to ensure that the society meets its objectives in ways that are by now familiar to all: the Stroll day, the 12 Days, the *Anthology*, the Tuesday Evening Reading Series, the *Stroll Scroll*, and so on.

Over the last decade, people who have volunteered to be on the Stroll's Board have been the key to the success of the Stroll. If you have been a member for many years, but not done a stint on the Board, please consider volunteering your time and expertise to the Board. The nominations are still open for the upcoming AGM.

The AGM is on March 18 at City Hall from 2 - 4 PM. So far, there are a number of people who have said they would like to be on the Board next year. I have been phoning members to invite them to come on Board – but I haven't been able to get in touch with all of you. You know the meeting is coming up, and that we need Board members. Please contact me if you'd like to be on the Board, or if you know of someone who would like to be on the Board.

The Board meets the first Thursday of every month for about 2 hours. We consider ourselves to be a "working Board" – that means that each person takes on a job, like coordinating volunteers, or being the membership secretary, or coordinating workshops, or managing the website, or coordinating the Stroll's table at the Book Fair, and so on. The Board this year has worked very well together. However, most of the members are moving on with their lives to other things, so there is a huge turnover for 2000 - 2001. This is an opportunity for those of you who would like to become more involved with the Stroll of Poets Society.

If you think that being a Board member is not for you, but you'd still like to be a little more involved, please let us know now. The new Board members will then have an idea of who would like to help out with the various activities. To promote acceptance of poetry through vehicles such as poetry festivals, public readings, and associated activities the Stroll of Poets Society needs you.

Mancy Mackenzie

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### Let's Share Dean's Excitement

On April Eleventh Four Jazz Poets will Read their Stuff at the Yardbird Suite Accompanied by The Best Jazz Combo Available at the Time!!

At 7:30 PM, Mark Kozub, Shirley Serviss, Richard Davies and Dean McKenzie will do a series of World Premieres of their Current Writing about the Nature of Jazz, Art, Music and The Muse for an Audience of The Aware, the Edified and Aficionados of Truth and Beauty. (The Interested will show up with their Toonies Clutched). You All Know where the Yardbird Suite is, so Be There. 10203 - 86<sup>th</sup> Ave. on the



Northbound Calgary Trail.

The Four Poets will begin reading at 1930h followed by an evening of Jazz at 2100h led by the Tuesday Night Jam Houseband and Various Performers (who will continue creating improvisational moments with poets in the audience. All the poets have to do is Sign Up at the Door).

We'll play it by ear! That's Our Style. So, if you want to read a poem that night, Sign Up at the Door. There will be a sheet for you to sign at the Door!! Your host at the door, Dean.



### Razzellberries

Friday Night March 17, 2000 at Razzellberries Restaurant and Cappuccino Bar Edmonton Small Press Association will begin holding a monthly acoustic open stage hosted by Randy Smallman. The event will run from 8:00 p.m. to midnight and is located at 10040 - 104 St. There will be a cover charge of \$2.00 per person. As well as music, there will be independently produced zines, comic books and CDs for sale. For information phone 462-0463 or visit: http://www.connect.ab.ca/~rkinf/fnfr.htm

#### Myrna's Watchful Eye Caught This 🖾 News

Thanks to Myrna Garanis for letting me know that all Strollers can celebrate because guess what book was rated No. 5 on the Edmonton Top 10 best seller list: Stroll of Poets: The 1999 Anthology!! Source: The Edmonton Journal, Sunday Reader, Feb 6, 2000, p.



E14. Congratulations! Yes, and congratulations to stroll member Alice Major who is on the top ten list as well.

## Tupperware

### Sandpiper Merger

with the help of Pilgrim Sound studios will launch an effort to produce a 22-track spoken word CD, for distribution and hopefully get some radio-air play. Although nothing is written in cement at this time, we hope to get a cross section of young up and coming under-appreciated Canadian talent. Tupperware Sandpiper ISSUE 3 will be entirely devoted to pushing these writers and performers who are featured on the disc. There will be a CD / issue launch as well. Pilgrim Sound is located in central Toronto, and is hoping to open up a spoken words branch for it's studio, specializing in demos, etc. The CD will feature a variety of spoken word artists, and hopefully give a sense of unity to those who are writing without much support. Tupperware Sandpiper may also try to organize readings exclusively featuring those on the CD. It is set for release in March/April 2000. For any sort of consideration, send an audio tape, CD or yell real loud <maximum 25 minutes,> along with print versions of your poems to: Pilgrim Sound, 312 Cosburn Ave., Toronto, ON, M4J 2M7

### Storytellers' Hideaway

A beautiful wilderness lodge beside a lake in the Alberta woodlands. Accommodation, food,

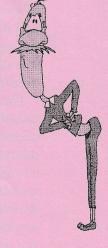


canoeing, hiking, workshops, two evenings of storytelling in front of a fire! Join us for a wonderful time of learning, sharing and relaxing together! T.A.L.E.S. Strathcona will hold a workshop retreat at Strathcona Wilderness Center from 7 PM Friday,

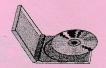
April 28<sup>th</sup> to 4 PM Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> for anyone interested in storytelling. Bring a sleeping bag, a bagful of stories, and several friends --- tellers or listeners. Workshops will include:

Making a Story Your Own by Jennie Frost Storytelling With Props by Donna Riehl, Archetypes in Story, by Denise Miller, Ballads Tell Stories, Too by Jean Burgess How I Learn a Story by Helen Lavender All Presenters are T.A.L.E.S. members.

For information: Helen @ 780-467-2924 or e mail: <u>hlavende@telusplanet.net</u>



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Admission Free		STROLL & POETS
<u>Vate Ineme</u> February	Poets & venues Block 1912	10761 - 82nd Avenue
8 Birth 15 Valentines Day 22 Explosions 29 Slice of Life Vignettes	Lori Miseck, Thomas Trofimuk, Tracy Murray, Louis Munan Phyllis Shuell, Diane Buchanan, Ruth Galloway, Linda Jennings Paul Pearson, Andy Weaver, Anna Marie Sewell Candas Jane Dorsey, Jocelyne Verret, Kevin Steel, Candyce Neill	Lyle Weis M.Jennie Frost David Huggett Vince Pallier
March	Grounds for Coffee	10247 - 97th Street
<ul> <li>7 Modern &amp; Traditional</li> <li>14 Childhood</li> <li>21 Awakenings</li> <li>28 Metaphysical</li> </ul>	Ivan Sundal, Anna Mioduchowska, Ruth Anderson Donovan, Richard Bosley Anne C. Marshall, Cathy Hodgson, Tom Emmens, Jannie Edwards Naomi McIlwraith, Danielle Dalton, Ben Murray, Chris Bullock Alice Major, Nancy Mackenzie, Sherrilyn Jahrig, E.D. Blodgett	I Bosley John King-Farlow Gordon McRae Rusti Lehay Ruth Anderson Donovan
April	Razzellberries Restaurant & Cappuccino Bar	10040 - 104th Street
4 Prairie Maritime Showdown	Jocko, Jenine Dumont, Ruth Galloway, William Nichols	Myrna Garanis
	The Yardbird Suite	10205 - 86th Avenue
<ol> <li>Jazz Poetry</li> <li>Live band to accompany the rea</li> </ol>	1 Jazz Poetry Shirley Serviss, Richard Davies, The Alberta Beatnik Deam McKenzie Deam McKenzie Live band to accompany the readings! (After the poets, stay for the Tuesday Night Jazz Jam with the House Band and Open Stage) Cover charge Tonight only! \$ 2.00 at the door for the poet's accompanists	Dean McKenzie m with the House Band and Open Stage 's accompanists
April encore performances	Centennial Room, Stanley A. Milner Library - 7 Sir Winston Churchill Square	7 Sir Winston Churchill Square
<ul><li>18 Re-Birth</li><li>25 The End</li></ul>	Pierrette Requier, Audrey Whitson, Ken Sutton, Gail Sobat Lauraine Saretsky, Craig Miller, Jo-Ann Godfrey, Kelly Shepherd	Jacqui Bell The Alberta Beatnik
All readings begin at 7:00p.m. Accistance generously provide	d hur. The Alberte Foundation for	Please observe a reasonable minimum charge at the hosting venues.

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