

10:15 a.m. Early-Bird Discussion and Share

Saturday, April 21

CELEBRATE NATIONAL POETRY MONTH With Us!

CALIFORNIA WRITERS CLUB SACRAMENTO

Cattlemens, 12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova

Pre-meeting event led by Marcia Ehinger, open to all attendees



POEM IN YOUR POCKET DAY

Bring a short poem to share or join us in writing or choosing a poem for your pocket on April 26.

Poem in Your Pocket Day 2018, April 26, is part of National Poetry Month. This is the day to carry a poem to share with others at schools, bookstores, libraries, parks, workplaces, street corners, and on social media using the hashtag #pocketpoem.

Poem in Your Pocket Day began in April 2002 by the Office of the New York City Mayor in partnership with the city's Departments of Cultural Affairs and Education. In 2008, the Academy of American Poets took the initiative to all 50 states, encouraging people everywhere to participate. In 2016, the League of Canadian Poets extended Poem in Your Pocket Day to Canada.

The words contained in a 51-year-old Proclamation championed by our branch and the Sacramento mayor's office still ring true:

“WHEREAS, people of all ages have universally turned to poetic expression as a means for expressing the thoughts and hopes of their generations... a cultural heritage of inestimable value, passed down from the folklore, patriotism, and religion of the past, giving tone and character to the culture of today... impetus and strength to the lives of coming generations...”

---Sacramento Mayor Walter Christensen, October 11, 1967,
upon declaring Sunday, October 15, 1967 as
Poetry Day in Sacramento.