

HSA 2004 Fourth Quarterly Meeting
Seattle, Wash., December 3–5, 2004

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The HSA December Quarterly Meeting, hosted by the Northwest Chapter, was held in the Seattle area at the Redmond Public Library. The program consisted of workshops conducted by Pamela Miller Ness, on retrieving childhood images via sensory images; and by Michael Dylan Welch on the distinctions between haiku and senryu. Ruth Yarrow presented a paper on haiku in wartime. Poetry readings were presented by Michael McClintock, Dejah Leger, Dean Summers, and Carol Blackbyrd Edson. The HSA Sora Award for outstanding contributions to the society and to haiku was presented to Francine Porad.

Outgoing Secretary's Report as of 1/15/05

I. Election Results. 208 ballots were received by the deadline. 9 ballots were received after the deadline and were not counted. The following officers were elected:

President	Charles Trumbull	208 votes
First Vice President	Michael Dylan Welch	201 votes
write-in votes	Pamela Miller Ness	1 vote
	Ferris Gilli	1 vote
Second Vice President	Marlene Egger	202 votes
write-in vote	Lenard Moore	1 vote
Secretary	Carmen Sterba	206 votes
Treasurer	Paul Miller	208 votes
<i>Frogpond</i> Editor	John Stevenson	205 votes
write-in votes	Jim Kacian	1 vote
	Stanford Forrester	1 vote
<i>Newsletter</i> Editor	Johnye Strickland	206 votes
Electronic Media Officer	Gary Warner	206 votes

The following regional coordinators were elected:

Northeast	Larry Rungren	19 votes
Northeast Metro	Efren Estevez	41 votes
Southeast	no candidate	
write-in votes:	Ferris Gilli	1 vote
	Ellen Compton	1 vote
(It was suggested by one voter that this region be redrawn in ways more geographically contiguous.)		
South	Howard Lee Kilby	7 votes
Midwest	Joe Kirschner	29 votes
write-in vote	Connie Post	1 vote
Plains and Mountains	Lynn Fawcett	6 votes
Southwest	Cliff Roberts	10 votes

write-in vote	Agnes Savich	1 vote
California	Yvonne Cabalona	24 votes
Northwest	Marilyn Sandall	18 votes
Alaska	Billie Wilson	2 votes
Hawaii/Pacific	Darold Braida	3 votes

David McMurray volunteered for Regional Coordinator for Japan, but HSA no longer has overseas regions.

II. Membership Information.

Renewals are coming in daily. As of 1/1 5/05, there are 451 renewals for 2005, 8 renewals through 2006, 1 renewal through 2007, 1 renewal through 2008, 1 renewal through 2011; 33 new members for 2005; 11 exchange and/or honorary members, bringing the total to 506. There are 355 members for 2004 who have not yet renewed. Thanks to the members who are renewing and encouragement to all others to renew as soon as possible.

Because HSA runs on a calendar year, Jan. 1–Dec. 31, those who did not renew by January 22, 2005 did not receive *Frogpond XVIII:1* with the bulk mailing. Issues of *Frogpond* will be sent out to those who renew after that date by regular mail, which creates an additional postage expenditure for HSA. All those, however, who were members in 2004, unless they have specifically indicated that they have no intention of renewing, are receiving this issue of the *Newsletter* in hopes it will remind them to renew.

III. Gratitude

Over these past two years, I have received many notes and letters of support and thanks from members. I am unable to reply to each of you, but want you to know how very much I have appreciated your thoughtfulness in taking the time to encourage me.

Respectfully submitted,

—Karen Klein

Incoming Secretary's Message

Greetings to all I am pleased to be the HSA Secretary for 2005. I'm excited to be back in the USA (after 30 years in Japan) and be able to give back something to the HSA where I have been nurtured. The outgoing HSA Secretary, Karen Klein and I are working closely together during this transitional period. Therefore, if you sent your dues to her recently there is no problem.

I would like to point out the useful HSA Information 2005 sheet which is inserted in this Newsletter. You can find the HSA Quarterly Meetings for 2005, find out how to contact the HSA officers or your regional coordinators, and look up how to pay your dues, submit to various HSA supported contests, and submit to *Frogpond*. This will be a valuable source for all of 2005.

About those who have not renewed for 2005. Read the HSA 2005 Information sheet for the details on dues and how to send them to me. And you can also get this information on the HSA website at. <<http://hsa-haiku.org/hsa-join.html>>. There is even a membership form included on the website.

I hope to see many of you at the HSA Quarterly Meetings, and the HNA this year.

—*Carmen Sterba, HSA Secretary*
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Treasurer's Report for the Year 2004

Beginning Balance:	26,913
Duet/Contributions:	31,633
Museum of Haiku Literature:	300
Members' Anthology sales:	2,386
Contest Fees:	2,019
<i>Frogpond</i> Sales:	530
Educational Packet Sales:	230
Miscellaneous:	504
Total Income:	37,602
<i>Frogpond</i> Expenses:	13,537
<i>Newsletter</i> Expenses:	1,418
Administrative Expenses:	2,983
Members' Anthology Sales:	1,753
Meeting Expenses:	1.127
Miscellaneous:	1
Total Expenses	28,135
Ending Balance:	36,377

—*Paul Miller, Treasurer*