LITERARY & PROLOGUE
Society of the Southwest

2016 - 2017 Season

Literary Society of the Southwest
- Maricopa County -

Season in Review and Annual Summary

‘Reading for a Lifetime’

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Our Mission Statement

The Literary & Prologue Society of the Southwest, sponsored by Northern Trust, is comprised of four chapters. The mission of the society is to foster the appreciation of contemporary literature by providing a forum where members can interact with authors so that they may better understand their works and creative process. The society promotes an increased awareness of the importance of literature by providing grants to nonprofit organizations.

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Advisory Board Members

Northern Trust is highly engaged and committed to the Literary Society!

Alongside our dedicated Advisory Committee Members, Northern Trust provides resources and talent to ensure success of the Society.

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Author Selection Process

Members Submit Author Suggestions

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List Consolidated from all Four Chapters

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Fifteen Authors Selected for Detailed Review

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Chapters Meet for Author Selection Meeting

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List of Top Seven Authors is Compiled
(based on budget and consensus from author selection attendees)

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List of Seven Authors Selected

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Lists given to literary agent to book talent if available

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AGENT BOOKS AUTHORS
Top Six then One alternate, if necessary

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Members enthralled by our authors!

Members rate author presentations highly and lament when they miss even one luncheon.

Authors in 2016 – 2017 Season

Anthony Marra – November 2016

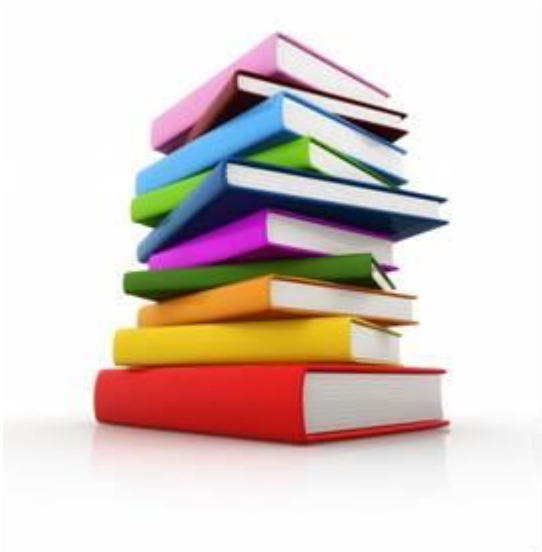
Ann Goldstein – January 2017

Paula McCain – February 2017

Douglas Waller – March 2017

Allison Pataki – April 2017

Janice Nimura – May 2017



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Membership & Dues Report

	Camelback	Pinnacle Peak	Valley
2007-2008	-	102	99
2008-2009	-	107	99
2009-2010	-	104	123
2010-2011	-	108	114
2011-2012	-	98	117
2012-2013	-	109	138
2013-2014	-	114	140
2014-2015	71	114	149
2015-2016	90	96	146
2016-2017	103	116	125

2017-2018 Proposed Dues and Fees

~ NO CHANGES PROPOSED ~

- ✓ $425 Individual Membership & $800 Couple Membership
- ✓ $55 Member Luncheon Fee – Includes Lunch & Author Signed Book
- ✓ $75 Guest Luncheon Fee – Includes Lunch & Author Signed Book

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Statewide Financial Report

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Revenue			
	Luncheon fees	$137,250	
	Membership dues	202,380	
	Other	3,055	
			$342,685
Expenses			
	Author Honorariums	$104,000	
	Author Expenses	23,700	
	Books	38,701	
	Food & Function Expenses	112,172	
	Miscellaneous Expenses (Printing, Postage, etc.)	15,393	
	Donations	17,500	
			$311,466
			$31,219
Balance Sheet			
	Cash	$87,175	
	Prepaid Deposits	13,595	
			$100,770
Liabilities			
	Student Scholarships	$ 2,000	
	Equity	98,770	
			$100,770

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Philanthropic Outreach
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- Collaboration with Maryvale High School – Creative Writing Workshop
- Winners of writing contest - $2,000 academic scholarship
- Sponsorship of poetry readings at Phoenix Art Museum in partnership with The Activity Center - University of Arizona - $4,000
- Underwrite purchase of books for students from Title 1 schools relating to Shakespeare performance through Act One - $5,000.
- Underwrite school reading program with Read Better Be Better - $2,500

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Future Goals

- Increase membership to capacity ≈150 members per chapter
- Increase community outreach
  - Fund high school students to attend luncheons as guests
  - Expand commitment to K-3 reading programs
- Expand Creative Writing Workshop to additional high school campuses
- Sponsor Teacher Night with at least one author per season
- Increase amount of Tuition awards for writing contest winners
- Maintain financial stability with adequate reserves

Presumptive Costs

Luncheons for students – 10 per author	$6,000
Tuition awards	$5,000
K-3 Reading Program	$10,000
Teacher Night	$7,500

Underwriting will be appreciated and acknowledged!

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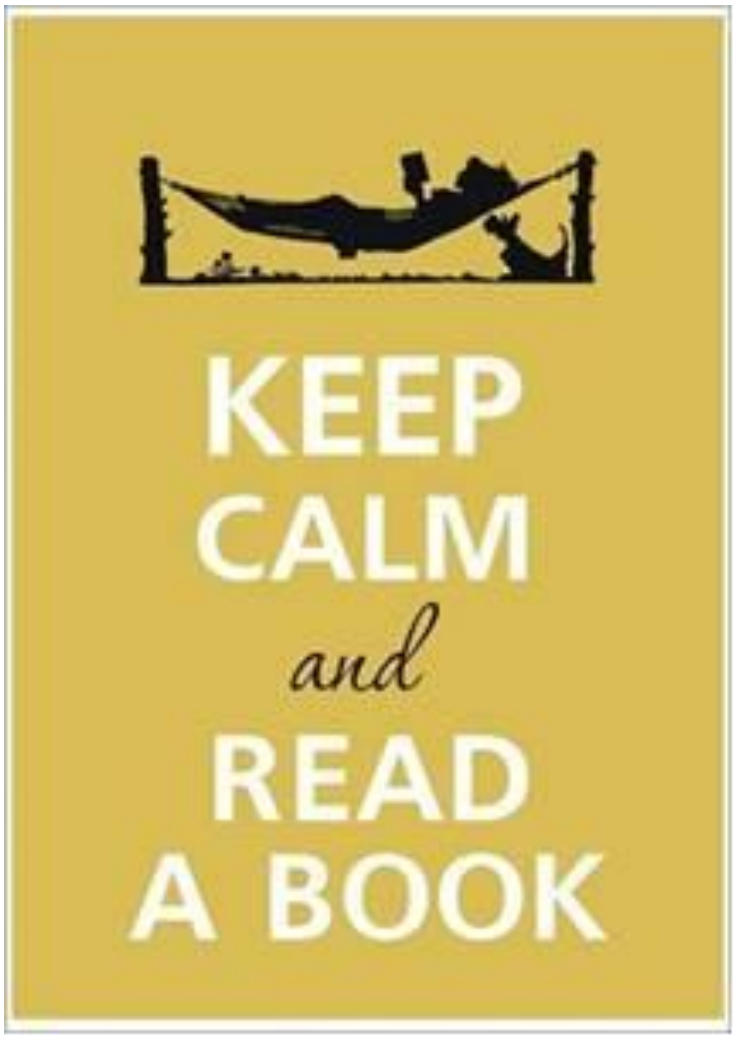
Thank You for your membership and support of the Literary and Prologue Society of the Southwest.

Our members are the best!