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A Pocket Full of Poetry – Poetry Night Promises Inspiration

Weed/COS – Did you know that **April 26** is “Poem in Your Pocket Day?” The day – which encourages us to share a poem from one’s pocket – is part of National Poetry Month. That evening, COS students and faculty will dig into their pockets for original and favorite poetic works to read at the annual “Poetry Night.” This free event is the College’s only evening of the year when students and instructors alike come together to read poetry. Join us from **5:15-6:30 pm on Thursday, April 26** in the COS Library for this public event hosted by the COS Writers Club and the Library.

Last year’s poetry reading brought laughter and tears to the audience in a mercurial way that only poetry has the capacity to evoke. “I am always struck by how distinctly different each poem is and the remarkable array of emotions the poems relay within a small window of time,” stated Samantha Worthington, a COS staff member who has read her poetry at the venue for the last few years. “I always leave with a renewed sense of appreciation for poetry, especially poetry read aloud.”

Slated to read this year are Gracie Chrisman, Maria Fernandez, Beckie Hobbs, Sarah Kirby, Quintilus McDowell, Tylor Myers, Lee Porter, Brenden Short, Cory Short, Corina (Ponepila) Vorachith, Kylie Woods, and Samantha Worthington. Library doors will open at 5:15 p.m. with coffee, tea, and light refreshments served and readings will begin at 5:30 pm. This is a free event open to the public. For more information call the COS Library at (530) 938-5331. The Weed Campus can also be reached toll-free by calling (888) 397-4339.