

Poetry

A library gathering

Poets may have a hard time meeting other like-minded people with a love of words and the page. Never fear: A June event presented by the Menlo Park Library, "The Gathering of the Poetry Groups" bills itself as a "networking" opportunity.

The happening, which runs from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., features a wealth of readings by poets, many of them residents of the area. North Beach poet Philip Hackett will give an introduction at noon, after open-

ing schmoozing and music by Gary Gates and Rocky Austin. Other poets scheduled to appear include Ed Coletti, David Magdalene, Tom Mariani and Jym Marks.

Meanwhile, visual art will be on display by various artists, including Pacific Art League instructor Leah Lubin, who is organizing the event with outreach librarian Roberta Roth. A reception with refreshments is also planned.

The event will be in Room 105 of the Burgess Recreation Center at 700 Alma St. in Menlo Park. Admission is free. For more information, go to leah_lubin.home.att.net.