



## Superstar Lineup of Senior Poets in Spectacular 2008 Anthology

### 2008 Honor Scroll Award Winner YVONNE LONDRES



YVONNE MARIE LONDRES, 60, San Antonio, Texas. Poet, essayist, beauty-and-talent pageant winner: Miss Elite Beauty, Miss Texas Role Model, Miss USA Excellence. In the past, Yvonne received a scholarship to Los Angeles Music and Art School where she studied singing. More recently, she was Miss World Rose. Here she is as our 2008 Senior Poster Poet. Yvonne's sun sign is Cancer

#### Shiver Sliver Moon

Cold floating thin sliver edged upside-down fingernail  
Shy smile of an Eskimo girl's first snowy-lipped kiss  
Frozen pearl-flavored rind of Honeydew Melon  
Half halo-lit perch stage for the singing Nightengale  
Illuminated ice-carved cradle for two baby stars

For the first time in the 16-year history of the National Annual Senior Poets Laureate Poetry Competition for American Poets age 50 and older, the GOLDEN WORDS anthology containing the winners will be published solely as an online book that contains beautiful pages designed by webmaster Al Baker on which each of the Senior Poets Laureate will be featured, along with biographical sketches of all winners, including Honor Scroll, Golden Pen and International Diplomat Award Winners. Also, for the first time, Honor Scroll Award Winners have the option of being showcased strictly through biographical sketches or of reserving a page, like the one at the left. All SPL winners at state and national level will automatically have a similar page, which includes biographical sketch, a photo and winning poem, unless the poet specifically tells us to not publish a winning poem. This is, to our knowledge, the first such e-collection of winning seniors' poetry in the history of all humanity, so we hope you like it. It should be published (launched online) early in October. For free viewing, simply click on the link GOLDEN WORDS at

[www.amykitchenerfdn.org](http://www.amykitchenerfdn.org)

Comments and questions about GOLDEN WORDS may be sent via e-mail to [amykitchenerfdn@hotmail.com](mailto:amykitchenerfdn@hotmail.com). Include SPL in subject line.

### HOW TO HELP KEEP THE SENIOR POETS LAUREATE CONTEST ALIVE

The future of the annual competition, which began back in 1993 as a regional contest founded by Vera-Jane Goodin Schultz and Wanda Sue Parrott in the Ozarks Mountains and went international, depends on events in Wanda's life over the next few months. If you are interested in helping or have suggestions, contact Wanda before October 31, 2008 to assure that your mail reaches her at 1325 W. Sunshine St., #168, Springfield, MO 65807 USA. The most-immediate help you can give is with publicity about your own award in this year's competition. It's simple. Either by e-mail to editors of newspapers in your area, or by snail mail, send a short news release that announces your achievement. Or, forward the name and e-mail address of your local newspaper editor to Wanda at the e-mail address given above. Here is a sample from which you can write your own material. Use the words "News Release" in the subject line.

**(Your name), age, of (your city) has been named winner of the (State) Senior Poet Laureate Award for the poem titled (title of your poem) in the 2008 Senior Poets Laureate Poetry Competition for American poets age 50 and older sponsored annually by Amy Kitchener's Angels Without Wings Foundation, a non-profit literary society based in Springfield, Missouri. For further information about the competition, visit the GOLDEN WORDS link at [www.amykitchenerfdn.org](http://www.amykitchenerfdn.org). For information about (your name) please call (your phone number) or send e-mail to (your e-mail address).**

If you won an award other than Senior Poet Laureate as given in this example, please substitute it. And be sure to check the website after October 1 to be sure GOLDEN WORDS is online before sending your News Release. (Please send clips to Wanda of any items or interviews that appear in print about you—that is, if you can find her!)