October 3 is National Poetry Day!

October is the perfect time, as leaves fall off the trees,

To cuddle up and snuggle up with a book of poetry.

Rogers, Fred. *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood: the poetry of Mister Rogers*. (The timeless lyrics to Fred Rogers’ songs were pure poetry! They teach children that they are loved no matter what.)  J 811.6 ROGE

Alexander, Kwame. *Animal Ark: Celebrating our wild world in poetry and pictures*. (Incredible photos and beautiful poetry are combined to celebrate over 40 animals in the world.)  J 590 ALEX

Salas, Laura. *Lion of the Sky: Haiku for all Seasons*. (This gem of a book has haiku poem riddles to guess).  J 811.6 SALA

Salas, Laura. *In the Middle of the Night: Poems from a wide-awake house*. (Have you ever wondered what happens to the things in your house in the middle of the night? They play!)  J 811.6 SALA

Singer, Marilyn. *I’m the Big One Now!: Poems about Growing up*. (This book celebrates growing up and becoming an older sibling...with poems about losing a tooth, riding the school bus, whistling and becoming a big sister/brother.)  J 811.54 SING

The *Proper Way to Meet a Hedgehog: and other how-to poems*. (If you’ve ever wanted to know the proper way to do things, then pick up this amusing book. These little instructive poems will make you smile!)  J 811.608 PROP

Hoberman, Mary Ann. *The Sun Shines Everywhere*. (Sunshine unites people all over the world. This book uses the themes of diversity, community, caring for the environment to show how the sun affects people throughout the ages.)  JEasy HOBE

Reynolds, Shauna LaVoy. *Poetree*. (A shy girl writes a poem, and ties it to a tree, and the tree writes back to her in this sweet beautiful picture book.)  JEasy REYN

Don’t forget these classics:

- *The 20th Century Children’s Poetry Treasury*.  J 811.508 T971
- *Where the Sidewalk Ends*.  J811.54 S587W
- *Please bury Me in the Library*.  J 811.54 L674P
- *New Kid on the Block*.  J 811.54 P924N