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After side-stepping a lynch-mob for being a pacifist during World War II, William Stafford takes up his guitar for reconciliation.

The
2007
WILLIAM STAFFORD

BIRTHDAY
EVENTS



Readings and
Celebrations
Around the
Country

Join Us As We Celebrate the Spirit of William Stafford

Each year, the Friends of William Stafford rolls out the red carpet to celebrate the late poet's birthday (January 17, 1914) with a full month of Birthday Celebration Readings. These events are held in communities throughout the country, and each year more are added. Free and open to the public, they offer old friends and new a chance to share in the spirit of William Stafford. Invited guest poets read first, followed by an open mike, during which

members of the audience are invited to read their own favorite Stafford poem or share a memory. If you are new to the poetry of William Stafford, you may just enjoy hearing it for the first time. You can also learn more about us and sign up for a free newsletter. We look forward to sharing this time with you and welcome your feedback at www.williamstafford.org.

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Friends of William Stafford is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness of poetry and literature in the spirit of the legacy, life and works of the late award-winning poet William Stafford.

Millions of Intricate Moves: Artistic and Spiritual Responses to War and Peace

By Paul Merchant

The sixth annual William Stafford Symposium, to be held at Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon, March 3-4, 2007, will be introduced on Friday March 2 at 7 p.m. at Portland's First Unitarian Church, featuring a multimedia presentation planned to include art film, photography, music, and spoken word.

The symposium's title, *Millions of Intricate Moves*, is taken from William Stafford's poem, "Thinking for Berky," and I will present that poem and a prose passage from Stafford's volume, *Every War Has Two Losers*, near the beginning, as an introduction to Oregon's most familiar pacifist voice.

Among the items we hope to present are a short documentary by Bushra Azzouz on life in Iraq, Joel Preston Smith's photographs from Iraq, and Marcia McKean's exhibit of artfully modified volumes. Some of the weekend presenters will also be on hand for a question and answer session. This special evening and preview to the weekend symposium will be open to the public at a cost of \$10-\$20 on a sliding scale and no one will be turned away for lack of funds.

Building on the success of the previous five one-day conferences, this year's symposium is designed to bring together artists, musicians, poets, and scholars from here and across the country for an extended exploration of conflict and pacifism.

The all-day Saturday and Sunday sessions will include freelance photographer and journalist Joel Preston Smith, *Oregonian* reporter Peter Sleeth, award-winning Oregon poet and FWS member, Willa Schneberg, University of Tennessee professor Jeff Kovac, James Holbrook, Professor of Law at the University of Utah, and Fred Marchant of Suffolk University, Boston.

Presenters from Lewis & Clark will be FWS member Doug Erickson, head of the college's Special Collections, Nora Beck, head of the music department, and Steven Carreker, and ordained minister and adjunct writing instructor.

Sessions will feature guided writing and a segment on conflict management, as well as a look at the contemporary American poet as witness. There will be explorations of the forced relocation of Japanese Americans during World War II, the lives of conscientious objectors and

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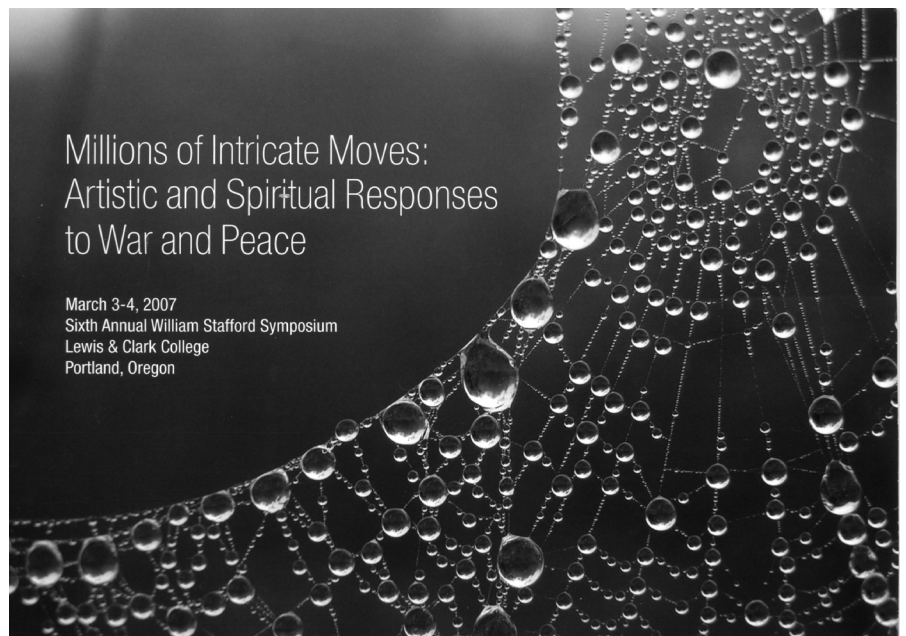
the art that emerges from that perspective, and the armed man motif in medieval music. The symposium will end on Sunday afternoon with a freewheeling discussion between audience and presenters.

Saturday evening we will present a commissioned chamber music piece on war and peace by one of our music students, followed by a book signing by Willa Schneberg, together with Fred Marchant of Suffolk University, Boston, who is editing a forthcoming Graywolf Press collection of William Stafford's early poetry. This evening performance will be free and open to the public.

Two related exhibits will also be on show at Lewis & Clark during the weekend. At the Hoffman Gallery will be "Unembedded," a remarkable collection of photographs from Iraq presented with brief but revealing commentary. And in the Watzek Library, the college's Special Collections will mount a dual exhibit of books and art by two Oregon Public Service conscientious objectors of World War II, the artists Kemper Nomland and Kermit Sheets.

While the symposium has no agenda for changing the country's foreign policy, I would hope that an exploration of the complexities of these important issues will be thought-provoking as well as engaging.

For further information on registration fees, a detailed symposium schedule, and presenter biographies, please visit the William Stafford Center's website www.lclark.edu/dept/wilstaff or call 503-768-6162.



Readings and Celebrations Around the Country Honoring the Spirit of William Stafford

IN THE PORTLAND METRO AREA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH, 2-4 PM—TIGARD

Tigard Public Library, 13500 SW Hall Blvd., Tigard. Hosted by Bill Siverly. Featuring Nita Countryman, Barbara Drake, Erik Muller (reading for D. H. Bleything), Michael McDowell, Verlana Orr, and FWS Board Member Shelley Reece. Contact: Bill Siverly bsiverly@comcast.net or Joyce Niewendorp joyce@tigard-or.gov

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 2 PM—WELCHES

Wy'east Book Shoppe & Art Gallery at the Rendezvous Center, 67149 E. Highway 26, Welches. Hosted by FWS Board Member Sharon Wood Wortman. Featuring Josh Baker, Lindy Delf, Paula Friedman, Nan Hunt, Paul Keller, Rita Ott Ramstad, Elizabeth Simson, and Tony Wolk. Contact: Sharon Wood Wortman sharon@bridgestories.com or Sandra Palmer 503-622-1623

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 2 PM—BEAVERTON

Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th St., Beaverton. Hosted by Wendy Turner Swanson. Featuring Karen Braucher, Penelope Scambly Schott, Dan Skach-Mills, David Milholland, Beverly Partridge, and FWS Board Members Ann Staley and Dennis Schmidling. Contact: Wendy Swanson swans@teleport.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 7 PM—WEST LINN

West Linn Library, 1595 Burns, West Linn. Hosted by David Hedges. Featuring Walt Curtis, Gerry Foote, Cindy Williams Gutierrez, Jose Knighton, Virginia Euwer Wolff, and FWS Board Member Joseph Soldati. Contact: Lynette Meadows, lmeadows@ci.west-linn.or.us or David Hedges david@hedges.name

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2-4 PM—MILWAUKIE

Milwaukie Ledding Library, 10660 SE 21st Ave., Milwaukie. Hosted by Greg Chaimov and Tom Hogan. Featuring Rhonda McFaddin, Helen McNaughton, Ron Rasch, Sue Reese, Marlene Hill Taevs, and FWS Board Member Paulann Petersen. Contact: Greg Chaimov gchaimov@comcast.net or Tom Hogan tombogan2@comcast.net

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 2 PM—VANCOUVER

Vancouver Community Library, 1007 East Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver, WA. Hosted by Arnie Dyer. Featuring David Benedictus, Sue Einowski, Mark Martin, and FWS Board Member Betty Barton. Contact: Sally Anderson, sallyyea@comcast.net or Arnie Dyer arnolddyer@aol.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 2 PM—PORTLAND

West Hills Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship, 8470 SW Oleson Road, Portland. Hosted by FWS Board Member Sulima Malzin. Featuring Linda Hathaway Bunza, Paula Lowden, Lawrence Overmire, Sandra Sakurai, Dan Sisco, Ron Talney, and FWS Board Member Tim Barnes. Contact: Sulima Malzin, sulimama@aol.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16TH, 7-8:30 PM—LAKE OSWEGO

Lake Oswego Library, 706 4th, Lake Oswego. Hosted by Leah Stenson. Featuring James Fleming, Linda Hoard, David Rutiezer, Scot Siegel, Suzanne Sigafos, and FWS Board Member Patricia Carver. Contact: Bill Baars, bbaars@ci.oswego.or.us or Leah Stenson leahstenson@quest.net

The Dream of Now

When you wake to the dream of now
from night and its other dream,
you carry day out of the dark
like a flame.

When spring comes north, and flowers
unfold from earth and its even sleep,
you lift summer on with your breath
lest it be lost ever so deep.

Your life you live by the light you find
and follow it on as well as you can,
carrying through darkness wherever you go
your one little fire that will start again.

∞ WILLIAM STAFFORD

IN THE PORTLAND METRO AREA (CONTINUED)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 7:30, PM—PORTLAND

Annie Bloom's Books, 7834 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland. Hosted by Jessica Lamb. Featuring Melissa Madenski, Amy Minato, BT Shaw, JoNelle Toriseva, Matt Yurdana, and FWS Board Member Don Colburn. Contact: books@annieblooms.com or Jessica Lamb lambjess@aracnet.com

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, THURSDAY, JANUARY 19TH, 7 PM—OREGON CITY

Literary Arts Center, Roger Rook Hall 220, Clackamas Community College, 19600 S. Molalla Ave., Oregon City. Hosted by Jim Grabill and Kate Gray. Featuring FWS Board Member Sulima Malzin. Contact: Jim Grabill, jimg@clackamas.edu

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 7 PM—PORTLAND

Looking Glass Book Store, 318 SW Taylor, Portland. Hosted by Willa Schneberg. Featuring Patricia Bollin, Ronault (Polo) LS Catalani, Angie Chuang, Lynn Darroch, Ellen Goldberg, Sarah Lantz, Edith Mirante, and FWS Board Member Joseph Soldati. Contact: lookingglassbook@qwest.net or Willa Schneberg snowmntn@comcast.net

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2-4 PM—LAKE OSWEGO

Willow Room, Clark Commons, Marylhurst University, Hwy 43 south of Lake Oswego. Hosted by Joan Maiers. Featuring Roberta Badger, Dan Mills, Shelley Reece, Melissa Ann Reed, and FWS Board Member Patricia Carver. Contact: Joan Maiers, jmaiers@yahoo.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 3 PM—PORTLAND

Powell's Bookstore, 1005 W. Burnside, Portland. Hosted by Joanna Rose. Featuring Stevan Allred, Jane Glazer, Kate Gray, and FWS Board Member Paulann Petersen. Contact Joanna Rose joannarose@earthlink.net

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 7:30 PM—PORTLAND

University of Portland, Buckley Center 163, University of Portland, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd., Portland. Hosted by Herman Asarnow. Featuring Judith Barrington, Pam Crow, Brian Doyle, Kaia Sand, Jim Shugrue, Lisa Steinman and FWS Board Member Sharon Wood Wortman. Contact: Herman Asarnow, asarnow@up.edu

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 1-3 PM—PORTLAND

Little Theater, CT 201, Sylvania Campus, Portland Community College. Hosted by FWS Board Member Tim Barnes. Featuring Leanne Grabel, Lutgarda Gutierrez, Ron Ross, Steve Sander, George Staley, and Van Wheeler. Contact: Tim Barnes 503-977-8012 tbarnes@pcc.edu

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH, 7 PM—PORTLAND

Salmon Street Sanctuary, First Unitarian Church, 1011 SW 12th, Portland. Hosted by Stephen Pearce. Featuring Featuring Melanie Green, Don Hynes, Will Hornyak, Katie Radditz, Dianne Stepp, Victoria Wheeler, and FWS Board Member Don Colburn. Contact Stephen Pearce smppps@comcast.net 503-231-7962, or Katie Radditz kradditz@firstunitarianportland.org 503-228-6389 ex. 17

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 7 PM—PORTLAND

Millar Library, Portland State University, 1875 Park Avenue (Park & Hall), Portland. Hosted by FWS Board Member Shelley Reece. Featuring Caitlin Channell, Carlos Reyes, Celeste Thompson, Lacey Young, and FWS Board Member Paulann Petersen. Celebration includes an exhibit of Stafford broadsides given to the library by Professor Emeritus Shelley Reece. Contact: Kimberly Willson-St. Clair 503-725-4552 willsons@pdx.edu

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2-4 PM—PORTLAND

Multnomah Central Library, US Bank Room, 801 SW 10th Ave., Portland. Hosted by FWS Board Member Joseph Soldati. Featuring John Wilson Room Librarian Jim Carmin, Ursula K. Le Guin, Primus St. John, and FWS Board Member Paulann Petersen. Contact: Joseph Soldati jasole@comcast.net

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 7 PM—PORTLAND

Broadway Books, 1714 NE Broadway, Portland. Hosted by Harold Johnson. Featuring Casey Bush, Linda Christensen, John Morrison, Pat Vivian, and FWS Board Member Don Colburn. Contact: Roberta Dyer 503-284-1726 bookbroads@aol.com or Harold Johnson jazzpo@earthlink.net

EDITOR'S NOTE:

CORRECTION TO *INK* EXHIBIT ARTICLE IN LAST NEWSLETTER

In an article published on page 12 of our last newsletter (Volume 11, issue 2 – Fall 2006), it was mistakenly stated that our traveling broadside exhibit, *How The Ink Feels*, was currently at Luther State College in Wayne, Nebraska, where it would be finishing out the year. It should have read: "The exhibit will finish 2006 where it is now, at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, and will begin 2007 at Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska." Our apologies for this error and any confusion or inconvenience it may have caused.

ADDITIONAL CORRECTION:

There are still copies available for individual purchase, of the Friends of William Stafford broadside, "To Shuman Heink"

IN THE GREATER NORTHWEST

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 8 PM—LA GRANDE, WA

Wee Mama's Sandwich Shoppe, 224 Fir St., La Grande, Oregon.
Contact: Greg Johnson 541-663-0878 benbrowns@webmail.lmi.net

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 4 PM—ENTERPRISE, OR

Fishtrap, the Coffin House, Enterprise, Oregon. Contact: FWS Board Member Rich Wandschneider, rich@fishtrap.org

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 7:30 PM—MCMINNVILLE, OR

Austin reading Room, Nicholson Library, Linfield College, 900 SE Baker Ave, McMinnville, Oregon. Hosted by Barbara Drake. Featuring Seth Johnson and Lex Runciman. Contact: Barbara Drake, bdrake@linfield.edu

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 4 PM—BELLINGHAM, WA

Village Books, 1200 Eleventh Street, Bellingham, Washington. Hosted by James Bertolino. Contact: Contact: Lindsey McGuirk, Village Books lindsey@villagebooks.com 360-671-2626 or James Bertolino jimbertolino@yahoo.com 360-398-7870

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 2-4 PM—WALDPORT, OR

Waldport Community/Senior Center, Hwy 34, 2 blocks E from Hwy 101, Waldport, Oregon. Contact: Dorothy Mack dmack@newportnet.com or Waldport Community Center 541-563-3042

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 2-5 PM—SEASIDE, OR

Discovery Room, Seaside Library, 60 N. Roosevelt Drive, Seaside, Oregon. Hosted by Susan Firghil Park. Contact: Susan Park sfpark@charter.net

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 7 PM—THE DALLES, OR

Wasco County Library, 722 Court Street, The Dalles, Oregon. Hosted by Katherine Drabek. Contact: Katherine Drabek drabek1@mindspring.com 503-502-6229 or Wasco County Library 541-296-2815

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 7 PM—SILVERTON, OR

Silver Creek Coffee House, 111 N. Water Street, Silverton, Oregon. Sponsored by the Silverton Poetry Association. Contact: Kelley Brassaw kbrassaw@chemeketa.edu 503-873-2480

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 7 PM—LINCOLN CITY, OR

Congregational Church, 1760 NW 25th Street, Lincoln City, Oregon. Hosted by Charles Busch and John Fiedler. Featuring Travis Champ, Blaire Gaunt, Jane Greenbaum, Cassandra Jones, Erin Labasan, and Matt Love. Contact: John Fiedler tilebiz@wcn.net 541-994-8178

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 7-8:30 PM—WENATCHEE, WA

Wenatchee Valley College, Music and Arts Center, 1300 5th St., Wenatchee, Washington. Contact: Derek Sheffield, 509-682-6737, dsheffield@wvc.edu

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2-3:30 PM—MALHEUR, OR

Malheur County Library, 388 SW 2nd Ave., Ontario, Oregon. Hosted by Pat Bradshaw and Phil Mahaffery. Contact: Pat Bradshaw malheurlibrary@yahoo.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2-4 PM—SALEM, OR

The Blue Pepper Gallery, Framing, and Internet Cafe, 241 Commercial St. NE, Salem, Oregon. "Celebrating William Stafford: Between Solitude & Society." Hosted by Eleanor Berry and Janet Markee. Contact: Eleanor Berry eberry@wvi.com or Janet Markee janetmarkee@mac.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 6:30 PM—ALBANY, OR

Albany Public Library, 1390 Waverly Drive S.E., Albany, Oregon. Hosted by Clemens Starck. Featuring Peter Jensen, Sandy Jensen, Roberta Sperling, and FWS Board Member Ann Staley. Contact: John Burton john.burton@cityofalbany.net 541-917-7580 ex. 4702

MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 7-8 PM—BAINBRIDGE IS., WA

Bainbridge Island Library, Bainbridge Island, Washington. Hosted by Neil Baker. Featuring Jennifer Hager, Roger Midgett, Marit Saltrones, and David Stallings. Contact: Neil Baker neil@njbaker.net

MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 7 PM—LONGVIEW, WA

Longview Public Library, Longview, Washington. Reading by Elizabeth Austen, followed by an open mic. Contact Joseph Green tossedgreens@scattercreek.com or jgreen@lcc.ctc.edu

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 7 PM—BEND, OR

COCC Library Rotunda, Central Oregon Community College, Bend, Oregon. Hosted by Judith H. Montgomery. Featuring Neil Browne, Rachel Knox, John Martin, Ellen Santasiero, and special guest Kit Stafford. Contact: Judith Montgomery jhm@bendcable.com

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH, 7 PM—ASHLAND, OR

Hannon Library, Meese Meeting Room (LIB 305), Southern Oregon University, Ashland, Oregon. Contact: FWS Board Member Patty Wixon vpwixon@opendoor.com or Mary Jane Cedar Face cedarface@sou.edu

¶ Happy 91st birthday to you, dear Dorothy! ¶

IN THE GREATER NORTHWEST (CONTINUED)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2-4 PM—MADRAS, OR

Rodriguez Annex, Jefferson County Library, 134 SE "E" Street, Madras, Oregon. Contact: Jack Lorts jlorts@centurytel.net

Saturday, January 27th, 11 am—WASHOUGAL, WA

Washougal Community Library, 1661 C Street, Washougal, Washington. Hosted by Sean McGill. Contact: Sean McGill 360-835-5393 smcgill@furl.org

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 3 PM—HERMISTON, OR

Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys, Hermiston, Oregon. Hosted by Pam Steele. Contact: Pam Steele 541-300-9206 hillgirl2@yahoo.com

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 1-5 PM—CORVALLIS, OR

Corvallis Central Library, Corvallis, Oregon, with a writing workshop led by FWS Board Member Ann Staley, guest readers and open mic. Visual and written art exhibit responding to the poem "Spirit of Place: Great Blue Heron" will remain at the library from January 17th-31st. Contact: Linda Gelbrich lindaw@exchangenet.net or Ann Staley aes15@cmug.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2-4 PM—KLAMATH FALLS, OR

Klamath County Library, 126 S. 3rd St., Klamath Falls, Oregon. Contact: Mary Hope 541-850-2091 mary.hope@or.usda.gov or Christy Davis 541-882-8897

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2-4 PM—EUGENE, OR

Tsunami Books, Eugene, Oregon. Contact: FWS Board Member Martha Gatchell 541-836-2532

EVENTS ARE ALSO SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

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AROUND THE COUNTRY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 7-9 PM—BURNET, TX

The Herman Brown Free Library, Burnet, Texas. Co-Hosted by Mike and Joyce Gullickson. Contact: Mike Gullickson poetkind@yahoo.com 512-756-8303

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 4:30 PM—PRINCETON, NJ

McCosh Hall, Room 40, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey. Hosted by Meredith Martin. Featuring Jeff Dolven, Uli Knoepfmacher, Sonya Postmontier, and Jim Richardson. Contact: Meredith Martin mm4@princeton.edu

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 3 PM—ANN ARBOR, MI

The Hopwood Room, 1176 Angell Hall, University of Michigan, 435 S. State Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Hosted by Sean Norton. Contact Sean Norton spnorton@umich.edu

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 7 PM—TOPEKA, KS

Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship, 4775 SW 21st St., Topeka, Kansas. Featuring Eleanor Bell and George Paris. Contact: Dennis Bosley aabdob@bosleys.org 785-249-5091

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2 PM—SANTA BARBARA, CA

First Crossing Day Use Area, Los Padres National Forest, Paradise Road, Santa Barbara, California. Hosted by Paul Willis. Featuring Perie Longo and Jackson Wheeler. Co-sponsored by Westmont College and California Poets and Writers. Contact: Paul Willis 805-565-7174 willis@westmont.edu

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 7 PM—MADISON, WI

Avol's Bookstore, 315 West Gorham Street, Madison, Wisconsin. Hosted by Ron Czerwien. Contact: Ron Czerwien avols@mail.chorus.net or Ron Ellis ronellis@bughes.net

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2-4 PM—HENDERSON, NV

Green Valley Library, The Sunset Room, 2797 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson, Nevada. Contact: Abayomi Animashaun simplegen@yahoo.com

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH, 2 PM—BETHESDA, MD.

The Writer's Center, 4508 Walsh Street, Bethesda, Maryland. Featuring Martin Dickinson, Bettie Mikosinski, Myra Sklarew, and Linda Pastan. Contact: Judith McCombs, j1260@earthlink.net or The Writer's Center, www.writer.org 301-654-8664 or Martin Dickinson dickinson@eli.org



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to all those who
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For the Unknown Enemy

This monument is for the unknown good in our enemies. Like a picture their life began to appear: they gathered at home in the evening and sang. Above their fields they saw a new sky. A holiday came and they carried the baby to the park for a party. Sunlight surrounded them.

Here we glimpse what our minds long turned away from. The great mutual blindness darkened that sunlight in the park, and the sky that was new, and the holidays.

This monument says that one afternoon we stood here letting a part of our minds escape. They came back, but different. Enemy: one day we glimpsed your life.

This monument is for you.

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*“We live in an occupied country, misunderstood;
justice will take us millions of intricate moves.”*

from “Thinking for Berky”