

Life In Poetry

Poet Writes About Book Burning

BY TED KOOSER
U.S. Poet Laureate

It pains an old booklover like me to think of somebody burning a book, but if you've gotten one for a quarter and it's falling apart, well, maybe it's OK as long as you might be planning to pick up a better copy. Here Ron Koertge, who lives in Pasadena, has some fun with the ashes of love poems.

BURNING THE BOOK

The anthology of love poems I bought for a quarter is brittle, anyway, and comes apart when I read it. One at a time, I throw pages on the fire and watch smoke make its way up and out. I'm almost to the index when I hear a murmuring in the street. My neighbors are watching it snow. I put on my blue jacket and join them. The children stand with their mouths open. I can see nouns—longing, rapture, bliss—land on every tongue, then disappear.

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Mount Marty College Announces New COO

Mount Marty College is pleased to announce the addition of Greg Heine to the college's executive staff as the Chief Operations Officer. He will deal day-to-day with maintenance of the grounds and facilities of the college, its bookstore, and its on-campus daycare center.



Heine

Heine came to MMC with a great deal of operations experience. He had previously held many maintenance and supervisory roles and was most recently the plant operations manager for a manufacturing facility in Yankton. Other qualifications specific to his new role include Certified ASI9100, Lean Manufacturing, Kaizen training, and other facilities related trainings.

Outside of his professional work, Heine currently serves on the Cedar County Fair board as its president and has served the board for a number of years. He resides in Fordyce, Nebraska with his wife, Lyndsey, and children Malaya, Lexandria, Jeffrey, and Aaron.

Heine, who has a bachelor's degree in marketing from Wayne State College, began the position in early February. To contact him by email send messages to greg.heine@mtmc.edu or at 605-668-1500.

ASDM Annual Meeting In Pierre April 12-13

PIERRE — The Association of South Dakota Museums (ASDM) will hold its 2013 annual meeting "On the Road to Museum Success" Friday and Saturday, April 12-13, at the National Guard Museum in Pierre.

"On the Road to Museum Success" will include sessions on traveling exhibits, using social media effectively, hands-on exhibit components and inexpensive design techniques, doing a collections inventory and deaccessioning. Presenters will come from the Museum of the South Dakota State Historical Society (SDSHS) at the Cultural Heritage Center and the South Dakota Discovery Center, both in Pierre; the Dacotah Prairie Museum in Aberdeen, the 1881 Custer County Courthouse Museum and the Dakota Territorial Museum in Yankton. The association's annual business meeting, including the announcement of new board members, will take place on Saturday.

A silent auction and reception and behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum of the SDSHS in the Cultural Heritage Center will also be part of the meeting. Attendees are encouraged to bring silent auction items. All proceeds support ASDM activities.

"The association's annual meeting is always a good opportunity to learn from our colleagues in the field," said Ronette Rumpca, ASDM president and curator of interpretation for the Museum of the SDSHS. "Exhibits, collections care and social media are topics that all South Dakota museums deal with, so the sessions are very timely. It is also a great place to reconnect with friends in the museum field, and make some new ones."

Go to the ASDM Workshops and Conferences link on the ASDM website at www.sdmuseums.org for registration information, or contact Rumpca at (605) 773-6011 or ronette.rumpca@state.sd.us. Meeting registrations can be mailed until April 8, after which attendees must register on-site.

Dedicated to preserving, interpreting and disseminating the unique and ever-changing cultural heritage within the state of South Dakota, ASDM is an organization of museums and friends in service to the museum community in South Dakota since 1970.

Yankton Area Diabetes Support Group To Meet

The Yankton Area Diabetes Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Monday, April 8, in the Avera Pavilion Conference Room 2.

Lance Wassink, Medtronic territory manager, will update us on diabetes, insulin and the use of the Medtronic MiniMed RevelTM insulin pump.

The Pavilion is on the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital campus. The conference room 2 is on first floor and wheelchair accessible. Everyone is welcome and a snack is provided.

The next meeting will be held on May 13.

Riverview Reformed To Offer Garden Plots

Riverview Reformed Church at 1700 Burleigh Street, Yankton, is making space again this year for community garden plots. The plot are a raised bed garden with a compost and topsoil mix. They measure 4 feet by 12 feet. Water is available at the site with hose and sprinkler.

The fee to assist in water and materials expenses is \$25 Plots will be available May 1. To reserve your spot, call 665-9204.

Minivan Good Substitute For RV

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
King Features Syndicate

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a dilemma. My retirement dream has always been to purchase some type of vehicle to travel in and live out of for extended periods of time. I always thought I would get a small RV or camper. But now, because of the cost of gas, I am not sure what to do. I enjoy tent camping but would like the option of sleeping in my vehicle due to weather. I have looked online at a Subaru Forester and a Jeep Patriot. Would you recommend something like that? Or something else? —Randy

RAY: I know exactly what you need, Randy: a house!

TOM: Actually, what we'd recommend for you depends on your size. If you're 6 feet 4 inches, I'd say neither one of the vehicles you looked at will make a comfortable bedroom. But if you're 5 feet 1 inch, a small crossover like the Forester might be fine.

RAY: But, like when you buy a pair of pants or a mattress, you really should try these things on for size before making a decision.

TOM: Sure, the dealer will think you're a couple of gallons short of a full tank when you walk into the showroom in your pajamas and ask him to heat some milk for you, fold down the seats and come wake you up in an hour. But if that's how you're going to use the car, that's how you should "test drive" it.

RAY: You want to see what it's like with the car closed up. Are you really comfort-



CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

able? Does the cargo floor actually fold completely flat, or does it have a bump or a hinge in the middle? Do you have enough room to straighten out? Turn over?

TOM: I think you'll find that sleeping in the back of most passenger cars is not terribly comfortable. So, for that reason, I'm going to recommend a minivan.

RAY: You can look at any of them, but the Dodge Caravan, for instance, has a "Stow 'n Go" feature where the second AND third rows of seats fold into the floor and create a large, flat cargo area. Maybe even enough room to fit — luxury of luxuries — a small mattress!

TOM: You also can get an inexpensive minivan tent, like the DAC Explorer 2. It attaches to the open rear liftgate of your mini-

van to give you a little more breathing room, and allows you to have some screened air flow while you sleep.

RAY: The other advantages of minivans is that they drive very much like cars. That means they're relatively comfortable, safe, easy to handle and easy to park compared with campers and RVs. And the mileage — while not great — isn't bad, either. You can expect mid-20s on the highway from most of them.

TOM: I think that's probably the best compromise vehicle for you, Randy. It'll fit you, your belongings and your bedding on a long-distance ramble, while also serving as a car that you can use every day.

RAY: You can do better on mileage by going with something smaller, but if you do that, you should practice sleeping in the fetal position first. Happy travels.

What is the most cost-effective way to buy a car? Tom and Ray hash it all out in their pamphlet "Should I Buy, Lease, or Steal My Next Car?" Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Next Car, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

Get more Click and Clack in their new book, "Ask Click and Clack: Answers from Car Talk." Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or email them by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.

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Archer

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think. My coach (Eric Tollefson) had told me that I was good enough to get first place, but when I got second (at the national meet), I was still surprised."

Hunhoff's competitiveness kicked in, as she wasn't satisfied with a runner-up finish. She felt a sense of unfinished business.

"I knew that I wanted to get back to the national meet and finish first the next year," she said, achieving the goal.

Hunhoff holds the ability to qualify for the Olympic Games, said Tollefson, who formerly worked with U.S. National Head Coach Kisik Lee.

"Kendra definitely has what it takes to be in the Olympics, but there is tough competition for the women's Olympics team in 2016," Tollefson said. "The 2020 Summer Games are a more realistic goal for her."

Hunhoff's recent NFAA national indoor championship has provided a major boost toward those aspirations, Tollefson said. Besides the national tournaments, Hunhoff's other major meets include a Las Vegas contest with several hundred competitors.

While in Las Vegas, Hunhoff learned a valuable lesson in preparedness and overcoming adversity, Tollefson said. While practicing, she had a slight mishap and her equipment fell apart. However, she had brought along extra equipment.

"Some Olympic archers bring entire duplicate sets so they have a range of back-up bows," the coach said.

Such incidents are all part of the learning curve, Tollefson said.

"It's so important to have that travel experience. You learn to shoot away from home. There are stresses when you're not in a comfortable environment," Tollefson said.

"Kendra just happens to have all these great qualities. A year

ago, she hadn't shot many tournaments before qualifying for nationals. The national tournament was a good experience for her, and it was good preparation for future outings."

At this year's national tourney, Hunhoff competed using the five-ring scoring system. She shot targets at 20 yards using an Olympic recurve style of bow. She shot one round a day for two days, with 60 arrows per round.

Each round lasted about 2 1/2 hours, requiring intense concentration. One miss could have meant the archer didn't make the cut in competition.

"If I'm on the line (taking my shots at the target), there is a lot of positive energy," she said. "This is what you live for. When you are in competition, you're in a zone."

Competitors must possess both physical and mental stamina, Tollefson said.

"(Archers) tend to tighten up during tournament week, so they need to be athletic. They need to be in peak condition during the tournament. Many archers follow a marathon training schedule," he said. "Besides her archery, Kendra is also on the swim team. She works her cardio and upper body strength, which really helps her draw the bow."

Hunhoff's overall fitness will prove crucial during competition, Tollefson said.

"When Olympic athletes are on the (shooting) line, they may find their heartbeat rate go up to 180 beats per minute. It just happens because of the intense competition and all the adrenaline," he said. "You may have 400 archers in a single room at the same time. It's loud and chaotic. But if you're in strong cardio condition, you can lower your heart level. You can overcome it with your conditioning."

At the national indoor tournament, contestants competed against the entire field rather than a one-on-one format. Hunhoff remained aware not only of her own score but that of her main rivals.

"Should she be keeping track of her competition? Maybe,

maybe not. But she believes she's better off knowing," Tollefson said.

Hunhoff thinks she was better off with an awareness of her status at each phase of the national tournament.

"It didn't affect me knowing the competition's standings," she said. "I know what I can do, and I was happy with my scoring."

While a keen competitor, Hunhoff sees the tournaments as a tremendous opportunity to meet and support other young archers. "With all the big tournaments, I'm making new friends," she said. "I'm also meeting with the coaches."

Hunhoff has also met top Olympic and Paralympic archers, providing her with powerful role models. "Especially with the Paralympic athletes, you are inspired to do better," she said.

Hunhoff believes she has been provided with a solid foundation for a promising archery future. She noted her family's support, her instructors' guidance, the camaraderie with other archers and the outstanding, expanded NFAA Easton Yankton Archery complex.

Hunhoff currently practices about three hours a day, four days a week. She may need to step up her schedule as she moves up to each new level.

Hunhoff plans to compete in the Florida Gator Cup later this year. She also hopes to compete

in the U.S. Archery national tournament in Ohio this summer. Down the line, she has her eye on the Junior Dream Team and U.S. Olympic trials.

She currently competes in the youth category but will move up to the division for young adults next year, Tollefson said. She can remain in the NFAA until she turns 18, and she can compete in USA Archery until she turns 20, he said.

Competing against the nation's best requires a tremendous amount of dedication and sacrifice, he added.

"It becomes all-consuming in your pursuit to get to that level," he said. "The hardest thing for Kendra is to give up other things for all those practice hours. It's a really difficult decision at her age. She wants to do everything she can at this age, especially in a small community. But you have kids all over the country who are doing just that, and some are even younger."

Hunhoff hopes she serves as a role model for other young archers. She encourages them to reach for lofty goals.

"I tell them, 'Try it. Go for it,'" she said.

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For a complete list of eligibility and to apply, visit <http://www.briarcliff.edu/>, click Explore Scholarships and then CE Scholarship Application. The application deadline is June 17.

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