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NWG member news

Marilyn Coffey, whose poem "Pricksong" won a 1976 Pushcart Prize, will be the first poetry editor of *Trans-Missouri Art View*. Publisher Al Strong said naming Coffey to edit a poetry page for his paper was part of his policy to expand coverage of the arts scene to include music and poetry as well as the visual arts. Coffey taught English and Humanities at Brooklyn's Pratt Institute, an internationally known art school, for more than 20 years. She recently resigned her position there to return to her native Nebraska. Currently Coffey teaches at St. Mary's Weekend College in Lincoln and is a language artist in state schools'/communities' programs in Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska. She will spend her spring semester at the Lawrence Arts Center in Lawrence, Kan., as Creative Writer-in-Residence. The first poetry page appeared in the December issue of *Trans-Missouri Art View*. For more information about *Trans-Missouri*, see Market News on Page 4.

New NWG President David Kubicek announces his engagement to Cheryl Pointer, a Custodian II at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. They will be married in the Unitarian Church in Lincoln on June 1, 1991.

New Members Approved by the Executive Board at Grand Island in October include: Active — Diane

The Broadside
was edited by
David Kubicek,
production design
and typesetting by
Jana Pedersen.

Kubicek & Associates closes

The Lincoln-based publishing firm Kubicek & Associates closed its doors Dec. 15 so General Manager David Kubicek could pursue other interests.

"I decided to dissolve the company because I want to spend more time writing," Kubicek said.

Over the past several months, he said, he has been cutting back on business activities.

"There's no need to have the added expense of maintaining a business office when I can write just as easily at home," he said.

Kubicek & Associates was born April 26, 1988, for the sole purpose of publishing an anthology of farm stories that Kubicek had edited.

The fledgling company released *The Pelican in the Desert: And Other Stories of the Family Farm* in August, 1988, to wide critical acclaim. *Publisher's Weekly*, the

publishing industry's Bible, reviewed *Pelican* in its Sept. 2, 1988, issue. After *Pelican*, Kubicek & Associates published four more books, including *October Dreams: A Harvest of Horror*, which was both a critical and commercial success.

Other successes included reviews in national publications such as *Booklist*, two Pushcart Prize nominations for *Pelican*, selling the foreign rights of one of its books to a Mexican publishing company, and a story originally printed in *October Dreams* being reprinted in *The Year's Best Horror Stories XVI*.

In addition to publishing, the firm provided writing, editing, photographic and artistic services to local companies and organizations.

Kubicek will continue to have copies of his publications for sale.

Finch, Don Hickey, Deborah Gangeloff, Polly P. Duryea, Hollis J. Limprecht, James Denney, James F. Forcucci and Lillian Rydberg Amick. Associate — Rita T. Parle, Marilu Dughman, Mark Manhart, Bonnie Gill Manhart, Richard L. Shepherd and David R. Tarvin, Sr.
New Officers and Committee Heads: President: David Kubicek;

Vice President, Secretary, Membership Chair: Diane Kirkle; Treasurer: Rosalie Shimerda; Historian: Musetta Gilman; Bulletin Editor: Sally Walker; Promotional Chair: Jana Pedersen; Auditing: Jim Forcucci; Program Coordinator: Herb Hyde.

The spring NWG meeting will be held April 19-20, 1991, in Lincoln.

Bylaw change proposed

At the Oct. 20 NWG business meeting, President Bob Guenzel notified members of a proposed amendment to NWG Bylaws.

The change would amend Article VII: Section 2, which now reads in part, "The annual dues for each active and associate member shall be \$10.00 . . ." If the amendment passes, the Bylaw will read, "The

annual dues for each active and associate member shall be determined by two-thirds vote of the Executive Board . . ."

This amendment to the Bylaws will be voted on by the general membership at the Apr 20, 1991, meeting in Lincoln. To be adopted, it must receive two-thirds approval from the members present.