

FRIENDS PUBLISH PACIFIC NORTHWEST POETRY BOOK

Book features local scenes

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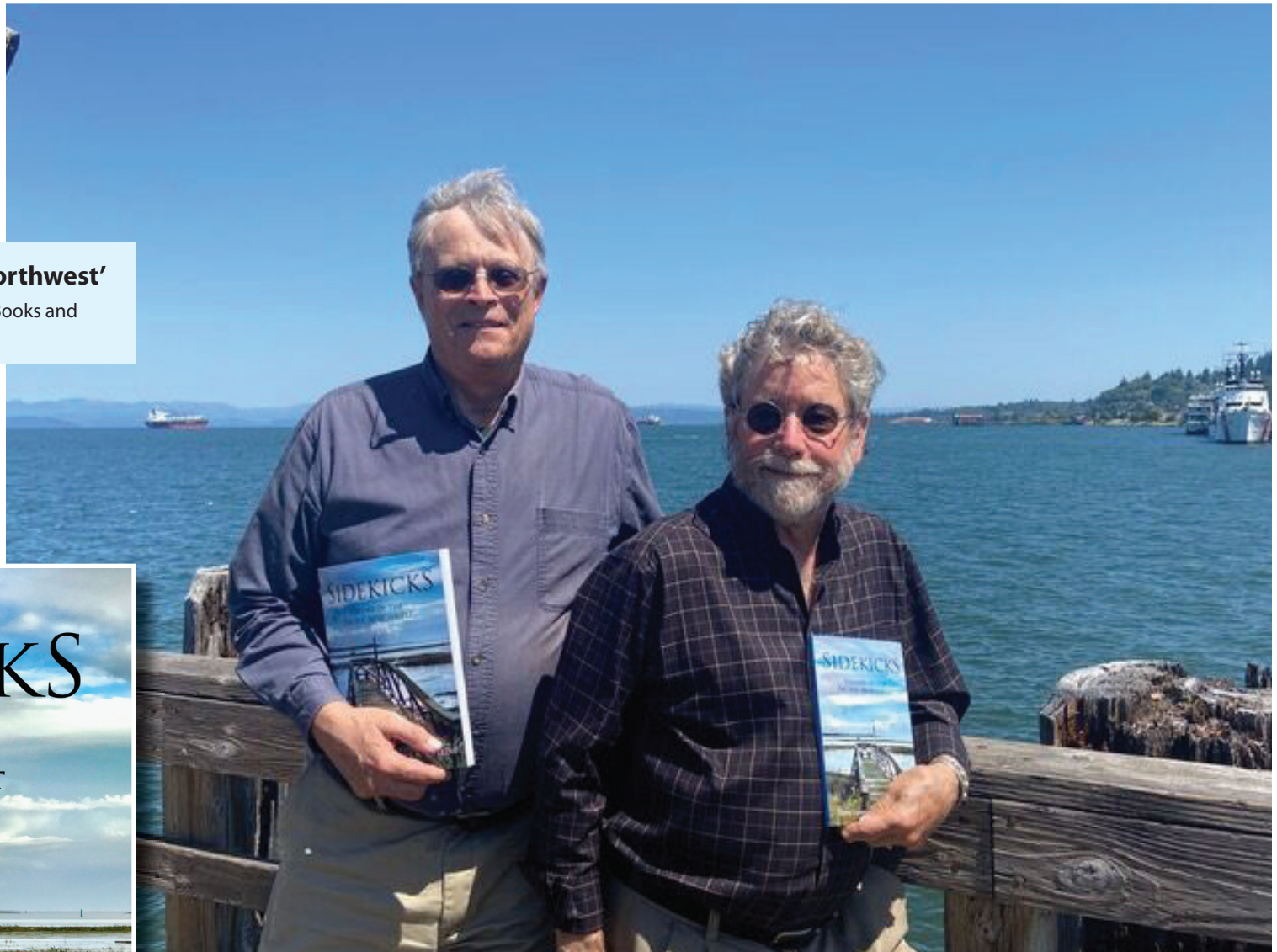
James Tweedie and David Campiche are like a pair of mismatched socks.

The duo of poets and friends recently released their new book, "Sidekicks: Visions of the Pacific Northwest."

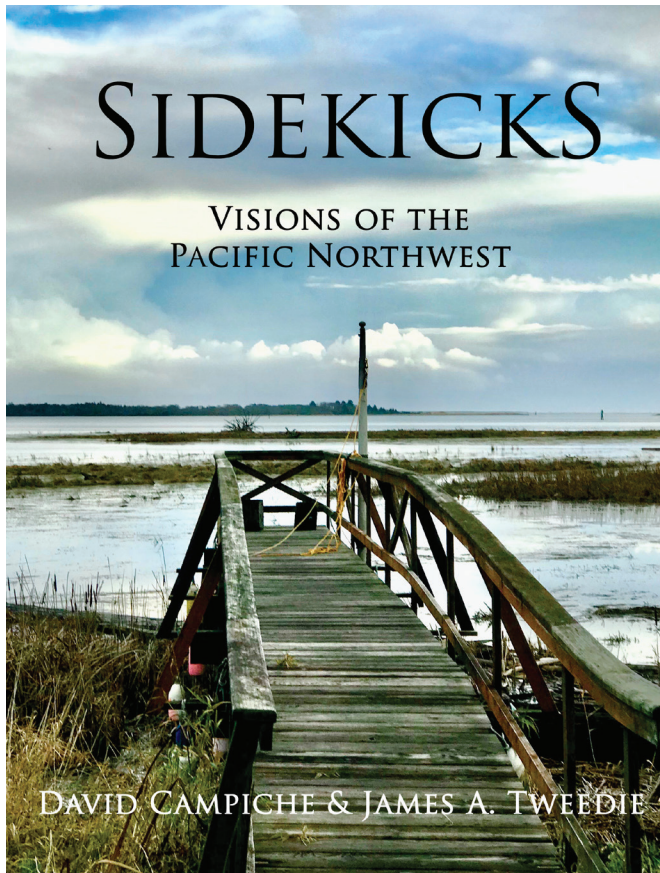
'Sidekicks: Visions of the Pacific Northwest'

'Sidekicks' is available at Amazon, Time Enough Books and Adelaide's Coffee House & Yarn Shop.

The book commemorates their appreciation for the Pacific Northwest through poetry and photography that represents the lower Columbia River to southern Alaska. The poems contextualize the images that encompass life among the Pacific. Coastal



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Authors James Tweedie and David Campiche.

sunsets and cloudy skies are interwoven with shells and creatures, rivers and tides and the occasional human.

One of Tweedie's featured poems, "My Life is Lived Beneath a Dancing Sky," states, "My life is lived beneath a dancing sky, where tutu-ed, toe-tip clouds of white and gray plie their way across the stage each day, and wink and blink the sun as they pass."

Tweedie said the book's images and poems are descriptive, rather than declarative. He said that

the work doesn't take any kind of stance but instead explores.

"My hope would be that the words and pictures that I've created would somehow connect with the person's own experience," Tweedie said. "That we somehow could trigger a familiarity, a common experience that we share. I know that's what I find in David's work."

Campiche agreed, adding his poems make a statement about his existence.

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