### ERNEST SLYMAN, EDITOR, REVERIE

Love (Kuypers') work. Enjoy her style, graceful, charming and engaging work. I love her work. And wish to show our other contributors her style and lavish textured charm.

### MARK DAVIS, EDITOR, ON THE ROAD

All (Kuypers') writing is of very good quality.

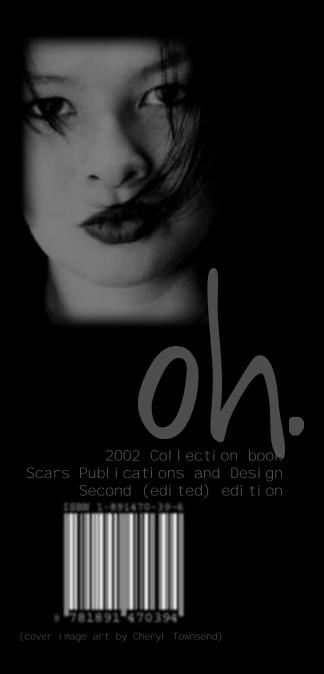
### JOE PEEBLES, EDITOR, DIARIST'S JOURNAL

(Kuypers' work) is great writing, and she writes extremely well...She is a great writer. Keep up the good work...Diarist's Journal can certainly use people with her talent.

### JOE SPEER, EDITOR, SPEER PRESENTS

I value her words as they appear on the screen or on paper. Anyway, I'm one of her biggest fans. (Kuypers is) one of my favorite writers. Her words create scars on my memory. When I read a full page of Chicago's soon-to-be award-winning-poet Janet Kuypers' work I had one of Joyce's moments of aesthetic arrest (not yet cardiac, huh?).

I hope to meet editor Janet Kuypers... I will tell her: "the thought of you/puts a sparkle in my eye/and I can't help but smile." When I discover a Kuypers poem in any zine I turn on to that page and read it first.



## <u>civil war</u>

#### I

the confederates are winning the battle but I know the north will win the war and all they'll get is a ravaged battlefield

#### Π

a civil war is raging inside me but I'm tired of fighting from within when all I want is a revolution

## <u>fi re al arms</u>

we were driving through Sequoia National Forest

up a winding road along the mountainside

and along the road a sign in the forest said check your fire alarms

and we looked at each other and laughed, and joked

because there are no fire alarms in a car to check

# on the california streets

we were walking along Santa Monica Boulevard we passed a young homeless man, and he asked could you spare a hundred thousand dollars? and I thought, of course he won't get it but of all the places in the world, this is the only place where he could get away with asking for it

## never did <u>the same</u>

we've put each other through hell, i know we've tried each other's patience we've goaded each other on we've pissed each other off we've jerked each other around but i've noticed two things, one is that whenever you were unhappy i turned on the charm, i tried to make your day, i tried to make you laugh, and the other thing that i noticed is that you never did the same for me

# l have my dreams

I don't even care if you call me anymore because I have my dreams and they make me happier than you

### ways to spend your money

I spent a week in Los Angeles recently visited Beverly Hills, Hollywood, Brentwood I saw the Hollywood sign and Marilyn Monroe's hand print in concrete took my picture with Tom Jones' star but the one thing I noticed was that among the shops that lined the streets of every neighborhood there were quite a few pet spas "pet spas," i thought, "pet spas"