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The shoes all had to go
Walking up and down Capitol Hill
Had widened, flattened
Her dancer's arches
And tiny, narrow feet

Years of shoe fetish joy
All gone in the blink
Of the podiatrist's eye
As soon as he said "neuroma"

But look! No ugly black
Gimp shoes required
No crutches or canes
No surgery or shots

Joy may still be found
In a sexy 9W shoe
It takes only patience,
Diligent searching
And love



"Street literature" or broadsides began in the 16th century and continued until the mid-19th century as a type of printing of large printed sheets of paper, designed to be plastered onto walls. By the mid 19th century, the advent of newspapers and inexpensive novels resulted in the demise of the street literature broadside. Today broadsides have been taken over by many small presses and publishers as a fine art offshoot of their work." Wikipedia

In celebration of **Poetry Month** and as part of a larger literary installation you can expect a new poem about the fifteenth of every month. A map with other locations where you can find other street poems, like geo-caching for poetry can be downloaded on my website under the news section.

For more information about the local poetry & art scene—

The Lane Literary Guild: www.laneliteraryguild.org
The Oregon State Poetry Association: www.oregonpoets.org
The Oregon Arts Alliance: www.oregonartsalliance.org

A copy of the 6 prior poems I published for the poem caching project may be found on my website:

www.utteredchaos.org.

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Poem-Caching - Public Reading at all box locations. Stop by this poetry box from 1 PM —2 PM to hear local poets, Joan Dobbie, Quinton Hallett and Laura LeHew read. Receive a map of other poetry box locations. Maps and flyers are on the websites: www.utteredchaos.org/news and www.oregonartsalliance.org

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