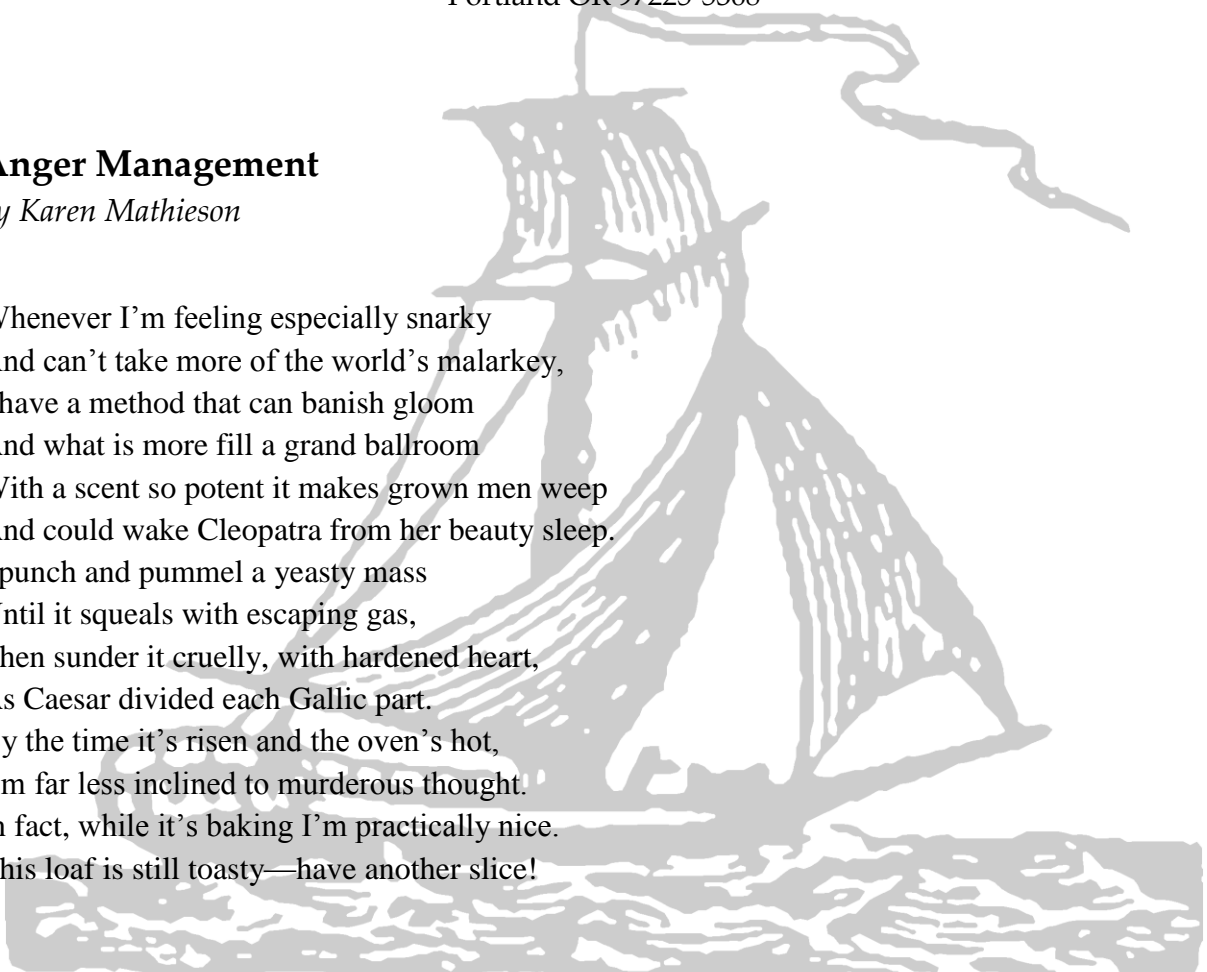




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## **Anger Management**

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Whenever I'm feeling especially snarky  
And can't take more of the world's malarkey,  
I have a method that can banish gloom  
And what is more fill a grand ballroom  
With a scent so potent it makes grown men weep  
And could wake Cleopatra from her beauty sleep.  
I punch and pummel a yeasty mass  
Until it squeals with escaping gas,  
Then sunder it cruelly, with hardened heart,  
As Caesar divided each Gallic part.  
By the time it's risen and the oven's hot,  
I'm far less inclined to murderous thought.  
In fact, while it's baking I'm practically nice.  
This loaf is still toasty—have another slice!

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**And remember . . . things could be verse!**