

## Life In Poetry

# Poet Reminisces While At The Doctors Office

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 U.S. Poet Laureate

Lots of us find ourselves under the interested fingers of dermatologists, who prosper on the fun we once had out in the sun. Here George Bilgere of Ohio, one of our most amusing American poets, sits back in his skin doctor's chair and reminisces about a party that took place years ago.

### BASAL CELL

The sun is still burning in my skin even though it set half-an-hour ago, and Cindy and Bob and Bev and John are pulling on their sweatshirts and gathering around the fire pit. John hands me a cold one and now Bev comes into my arms and I can feel the sun's heat, and taste the Pacific on her cheek. I am not in Vietnam, nor is John or Bob, because our deferments came through, and we get to remain boys for at least another summer like this one in Santa Cruz, surfing the afternoons in a sweet blue dream I'm remembering now, as the nurse puts my cheek to sleep, and the doctor begins to burn those summers away.

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## USD's Bachelor Degree In Nursing Gains Accreditation

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota Department of Nursing has received formal notification from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) that the Baccalaureate in Nursing (B.S.N.) program at USD is accredited. USD has offered the R.N.-B.S.N. track since 2011 and will begin their first cohort of students in the four-year B.S.N. nursing major in Vermillion and Sioux Falls this fall with the Rapid City campus following in fall 2014. The Baccalaureate program earned accreditation through June 30, 2018, which is the longest time period for an initial accreditation.

Carla Dieter, Ed.D., R.N., F.N.P.-B.C., professor and chair of USD Nursing, noted that the accreditation couldn't come at a better time as more students are seeking opportunities for careers in one of the world's largest and fastest growing occupations, and the demand for baccalaureate nurses is at an all-time high and will continue to increase. The announcement was made by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education Board of Commissioners in April following an on-site evaluation in September 2012.

"Our USD Nursing Department is responding to the need

for increased access to advanced degrees in nursing to ensure that students are well-educated and prepared for increasingly complex health care needs throughout the state and region," stated Dieter. "By offering the B.S.N., we are providing a significant pathway for students to obtain education in nursing and meet the professional needs of workers looking to make a difference in health care."

The baccalaureate degree in nursing consists of 120 credits that include theory, laboratory and clinical learning experiences. Students have an opportunity to complete general education requirements and prerequisites the first two years of the program, and nursing courses the final two years. Incoming freshman for the fall 2012 semester were able to declare the four-year B.S.N. as their degree thanks to authorization in the fall of 2011 by the South Dakota Board of Regents.

USD Nursing will maintain accreditation for the Associate Degree Nursing programming through the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), formerly known as the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC).

# You Can't Claim A Public Parking Spot

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI  
 King Features Syndicate

### Dear Tom and Ray:

My question regards parking etiquette. Recently, a neighbor has been parking his car in front of our house on a daily/nightly basis. From what I can gather, this neighbor lives in a "group house" of about four individuals. Their driveway fits only two cars, and there's room for only one at the curb in front of the house. So, this neighbor has adopted my curb as his car's new home. While I am aware that it's technically a "public" street, this is, in my opinion, very rude — but more importantly, it's inconvenient. I have a single-lane driveway for both my car and my wife's car. I often travel to the airport and come home late at night, or have a need to travel to an early-morning meeting. So I have need to use my curb to park my car, on occasion. My car is a manual transmission, and my wife cannot drive a stick, so any movement of my car requires me to do it. As it stands, I often am forced to park down the street or around the corner from my own house. And I recently held a dinner party where my guests could not park in front of my house. We live in suburbia, not the city — everyone here has a driveway and plenty of room to park. At a minimum, it's unsightly and annoying, and very un-neighborly. I've left polite notes to this neighbor letting him know these facts, and in a recent note, I mentioned "I don't park my car in front of your house, so why do you park your car in front of mine?" Do you have any advice? —Duane

**RAY:** Yeah: Start by apologizing. It's not "technically" a public street, Duane. It IS a public street. So you have no right to claim it as private property.

**TOM:** Can you ask your neighbor, as a favor, to leave that spot open for you when possible? Sure. And if you have a neighborly



## CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

relationship, and he has other reasonable options, he'll probably accommodate you. But you've started off the negotiations on the wrong foot by accusing him of behaving badly.

**RAY:** When someone starts a conversation with you by saying, "Hey, jerk!" how open are you to helping the guy?

**TOM:** Now, we know, you say you started off politely. But you may think you're being more polite than you are. Saying "I don't do this rude thing to you, yet you do it to me" puts the other guy on the defensive. And since he has the law on his side, you've given up your most potent weapon: an appeal to his good nature and benevolence.

**RAY:** So here's what I'd do: Start over. Start by getting to know your neighbors. Nothing helps resolve a situation like seeing each other as actual human beings rather than "some jerk in a group house" or "some grouchy old guy who thinks he owns the street." Learn your neighbors' names, and find out what they do. Be neighborly first. You even might invite them over for a meal.

## SCHOLASTICS

### IRENE-WAKONDA

#### 4th Quarter 'A' Honor Roll SENIORS

— Dillon Buchanan, Jessica Djurkowsch, Lucas Gustad, Trevor Hansen, Barak Hauck, Jamie Healy, Chris Heirigs, Maggie Kribell, Dustin Livingston, Cody Schenk

**JUNIORS** — Jordan Devine, Jordan Jorgensen, Preston Larson, Ashley Oien, Justin Ostrem, Michael Saffel, Meghan Sauder, Sheyenne Sorensen

**SOPHOMORES** — Allyson Gartner, Calla Harper, Stephanie Hauger, Amy Morman

**FRESHMEN** — Tiffany Devine, Erin Hansen, Gabe King, Taylor Lee, Kyleigh Melstad, Autumn Sees

**7th GRADE** — Garrett Logue, Mike Sees

#### 4th Quarter 'B' Honor Roll SENIORS

— Jeremy Davis, Krysta Erickson, Celeste Fiedler, Trisha Kathol, Dylan Ruter, Ashur Wiedrich

**JUNIORS** — Garrett Anderson, Rainy Brewer Nysven, Dan Brue, David Devine, Bailey Hinseth, Lexi Logue, Sydney Nielsen, Dana Schenk, Ashleigh Schroeder

**SOPHOMORES** — Heather Hauger, Taylor Lyso, Matt Nelson

**FRESHMEN** — Hannah Anderson, Tessa Buchanan, Ben Gustad, Katrina Hauger, Caitlin Hinseth, Landon Larsen, Andrea Sokolowski, Ashley Steffen, Kiya Thompson, Maria Van Driel

**8th GRADE** — Brady Logue, Anthony Nelson, Illeana Trissel, Levi VanBeek

**7th GRADE** — Raven Erchen-

brack, Alfonso Erickson, Mary Johnson, Colton Larson, Dallas Lee, Haleigh Melstad, Makayla Meyer, Kaden Mork, Tyra Murphy, Clayton Trissel

#### 2nd Semester 'A' Honor Roll SENIORS

— Jessica Djurkowsch, Lucas Gustad, Barak Hauck, Jamie Healy, Chris Heirigs, Trisha Kathol, Maggie Kribell, Dustin Livingston, Ashur Wiedrich

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### AUGUSTANA COLLEGE

SIOUX FALLS — Four hundred and thirteen students participated in the Augustana College Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 25, 2013, at the Elmen Center. The following areas students received degrees from Augustana College:

- Spencer Hopewell from Yankton (Bachelor of Arts, cum laude).
- Gabrielle Kachena from Yankton (Bachelor of Arts, cum laude).

### UNIVERSITY OF SIOUX FALLS

SIOUX FALLS — The University of Sioux Falls has released its Dean's List for spring semester 2013. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.5 or greater on a 4.0 scale.

The following local students made the Spring 2013 University of

Sioux Falls Dean's List:

- Angela Dvorak (sophomore), Yankton, Biology Major;
- Sara Watt (junior), Yankton Social Work Major;
- Benjamin Whitley (senior), Yankton, Business Administration Major.

### DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

MADISON — The following local students were named to the President's Academic Honors list for the spring semester at Dakota State University (DSU) in Madison:

- Clayton Hanzlik from Niobrara, Neb., with a 4.0 GPA;
- Kathryn Brock from Delmont with a 4.0 GPA;
- Andrea McManus from Volin;
- Emily Fedders from Yankton;
- Michael Hunthoff from Yankton with a 4.0 GPA;
- Luke Neumann from Yankton;
- Alexander Opsahl from Yankton;
- Brian Van De Rostyne from Yankton with a 4.0 GPA.

A total of 370 students qualified for the honors list. Highest honors were earned by 145 students who achieved a 4.0 grade point average; the remaining students earned a 3.5 to 3.99 average to qualify for the honors list.

## 65th Anniversary Celebration



### Mr. & Mrs. Henry Hoelsing

Mr. and Mrs. Henry and Alice Hoelsing of Yankton, SD celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at their home with their family. The couple was married on May 3, 1948.

## SAC To Offer Free Demonstrations

The Summit Activities Center will be offering free demonstrations on all weight and fitness equipment for both adult and youth ages 12-14 years. The demonstrations will be conducted by Summit Activities Center weight and fitness staff and are open to all SAC members.

A youth weight and fitness demonstration will be held on Saturday, June 8, at 11 a.m. Youth participants, ages 12-14 years, that complete the class will be allowed to use the weight and fitness area at the SAC. Parents of youth participants are required to attend.

An adult weight and fitness demonstration will be held on Saturday, June 22, at 11 a.m.

To sign up for the class or request further information, call 668-5234 or stop by the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street.

## 65th Anniversary Celebration



### Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Rockne

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne and Betty Rockne of Anchorage, Alaska, will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on June 12, 2013.

They have five children: Tom Rockne of Petersburg, Alaska; Doug Rockne of Highland Ranch, Colorado; Dave Rockne of Indianola, Iowa; Barbara Rockne of Carmichael, California and Pam Youmans of Carmichael, California.

Their family requests a card shower. Greetings may be sent to 2939 Drake Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99508.

## 50th Anniversary Celebration



### Mr. & Mrs. Darrel Lee

Darrel and Nora (Kuchenbecker) Lee will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on June 8, 2013. A family gathering will be held in their honor. Greetings may be sent to 507 James Place, Yankton, SD 57078.



### Mr. & Mrs. Pat Lyons

Pat & Pearl Lyons of Yankton, SD will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on June 9, 2013.

Anniversary greetings may be sent to Pat & Pearl Lyons, 1704 Willowdale Road, Yankton, SD 57078.

## 60th Anniversary Celebration



### Sieler-Doerr

Michaela Ann Sieler, daughter of Jennifer Barry of Huron, SD, and Matthew Bradley Doerr, son of Deb and Brad Doerr of Yankton, SD were married on April 27th, 2013.

The ceremony was held at Springhouse Gardens in Joplin, MO with Brother Sam Wilson officiating at the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her grandfather Art Sieler, the bride was attended by her best friend, Kalli Likness as maid of honor as well as bridesmaids: Nicole Doerr, sister of the groom; Elly Daisy, friend of the couple; Abby Burbach, friend of the couple; Rachel Magness, friend of the couple; and Hannah Schurrer, friend of the couple. Brooklyn Bernotow served as junior bridesmaid while Katie Beth Smith served as flower girl.

The best man was Josh Dykstra, friend of the couple. Groomsmen were Nate Doerr, brother of the groom; Jerrod Daisy, friend of the couple; Chris Marlow, friend of the couple; Mitchell Barry, brother of the bride; and Keaton Siebenaler, friend of the couple. Ethan Schroeder and Nick Sorensen served as ushers while Luke Bernatow, Trey Bernatow, and Licoln Gochner served as ring bearers.

Also in attendance were the Grandparents of the couple, Art and Janet Sieler of Huron, SD, Harold and Jean Doerr of Bloomfield NE and Julie and Larry Wachholtz of Pierce, NE.

The bride will graduate in December of 2013 from Missouri Southern State University where she will obtain her Bachelor of Science degree in Special Education. The groom graduated from Missouri Southern State University in May of 2013, obtaining his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degrees in Accounting and Management and will begin work as a staff accountant for BKD, LLP in the fall of 2013.

The couple now resides in Webb City, MO.