

Center To Host ‘Wine And Dine’ Event

The Center, located at 900 Whiting Drive in Yankton, will be hosting its annual Wine and Dine event on Saturday, March 10. The event starts at 5:30 p.m. There will be a social hour, hors d'oeuvres and music. For more information, contact Tammy Matuska at 605-665-4685 or director@thecenteryankton.org.

Yankton Area Writer’s Club To Meet March 12

The Yankton Area Writer’s Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 12, at the Fry’n Pan, 502 W. 21st St., Yankton. From published authors to hobbyists, from pro to amateur, the Yankton Area Writer’s Club is comprised of people in Yankton, South Dakota, and the surrounding area, who have a passion for writing and a desire to help aspiring writers by offering readings, critiques, conferences and monthly lessons. This meeting is open to all ages; no dues. The club meets on the second Monday of each month (or the third Monday if the second falls on a holiday). For more information, contact Nancy Burk at 605-664-6582, email yankton.area.writers.club@gmail.com or visit http://www.iw.net/~nnburk/

Alzheimer’s Support Group Meeting March 13

An Alzheimer’s Support Group will meet at The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, on Tuesday, March 13. Anyone interested is invited to attend. For more information, contact Tammy Matuska at 605-665-4685 or director@thecenteryankton.org .

Pancake Supper At The Center March 14

The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton will host a pancake supper on Wednesday, March 14, running from 4:30-7 p.m. The menu will include all-you-can-eat pancakes and French toast, plus bacon, sausage and eggs. For more information, contact Tammy Matuska at 605-665-4685 or director@thecenteryankton.org .

LCTC Theatrical Gala At Minerva’s March 17

The Lewis and Clark Theatre Co.’s annual LCTC Theatrical Gala will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Minerva’s in Yankton. This year’s theme is “The Luck of the Irish.” Due to popular demand, Yankton’s version of the “David Letterman Show,” with Chris Hilson and the Mike Hilson band, will return. The show will be directed by Terry Winter. Tickets may be purchased by calling 605-665-4711 or visiting the Dakota Theatre at 328 Dakota Avenue during business hours noon-5 p.m. Seating is limited so get your tickets now.

CDWC To Host Trivia Contest March 18

SOUTH YANKTON, Neb. — The Corps of Discovery Welcome Center, located on Highway 81 three miles south of Yankton, will be hosting its annual trivia contest once again. The CDWC Trivia Contest will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, in the reception hall of First Congregational UCC, Hartington. Cost per team is \$125, with up to five players per team. Individuals wanting to be on a team are also encouraged to sign up, as there may be individual team slots available. The contest will consist of 10 rounds of 10 questions per round with Mulligan’s available for purchase. Refreshments will also be available. The event is an annual fundraiser for the Center, a non-profit 502(c)3 organization, which operates on local funding opportunities, fundraisers and donations. No tax dollars are utilized for the operation of the Welcome Center. For more information, contact the CDWC at 402-667-6557, email at cdwc@byelectric.com, or check out the CDWC’s new website, http://corpsofdiscoverywelcomecenter.net .

‘March For Meals’ Month Declared In Yankton

March has been declared “March for Meals” Month in Yankton to commemorate the monthlong effort to raise funds for the Meals on Wheels program. The proclamation reads: WHEREAS, on March 22, 1972, President Richard Nixon signed into law a measure that amended the Older Americans Act of 1965 and established a national nutrition program for seniors 60 years and older; WHEREAS, the Meals On Wheels Association of America established the National March For Meals Campaign in March 2002 to recognize the historic month, the importance of Older Americans Act Senior Nutrition Programs and raise awareness about senior hunger in America; WHEREAS, the 2012 observance of the March For Meals campaign provides an opportunity to support Senior Nutrition Programs that deliver vital and critical services by donating, volunteering and raising awareness about senior hunger; WHEREAS, Senior Nutrition Programs in South Dakota have served our communities admirably for 40 years; and WHEREAS, volunteer drivers for Meals On Wheels programs in South Dakota are the backbone of the program and they not only deliver nutritious meals to homebound seniors

and individuals with disabilities, but also caring concern and attention to their welfare; and WHEREAS, Senior Nutrition Programs in South Dakota provide nutritious meals to seniors throughout the State and help them to avoid premature or unnecessary institutionalization; WHEREAS, Senior Nutrition Programs in South Dakota provide a powerful socialization opportunity for millions of seniors to help combat loneliness and isolation; WHEREAS, Senior Nutrition Programs in South Dakota deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make local to communities, our State and our Nation; and NOW THEREFORE, We of Yankton, South Dakota do hereby proclaim March 2012 as March For Meals Month. We urge every citizen to take time this month to honor our Senior Nutrition Programs, the seniors they serve and the volunteers who care for them. Our recognition and involvement of the national 2012 March For Meals campaign can enrich our entire community and help end senior hunger in America-so no senior goes hungry(tm). Dated this 1st day of March 2012
Tamela Matuska, The Center

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What Do You Do After This Fall?

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
King Features Syndicate, Inc.

Dear Tom and Ray
I took my GMC ('06 K2500 Extended Cab) to the purchasing dealer for service. My truck has only 20,000 miles on it. It was up on the lube rack when something either broke or collapsed, and my truck came down, rear end first, landing on the rear tires and receiver hitch, with the front end sticking up at about 60 degrees. I looked under it (I was afraid to actually get beneath it), and saw that the underbody is damaged, especially around the doors and side rail. The steps are totally crushed (they appear to have taken the brunt of the damage). They lowered the truck by lifting up the rear end with a forklift so it could be brought down. I know about the body damage, but what about the frame rails? Are they likely to be twisted or bent? Is the cab or bed twisted? When it was back on all four wheels, the crease line on the cab no longer lined up with the crease line on the side of the bed. The dealer says he will “take care of me,” and he gave me a car as a loaner. Everyone has been friendly and courteous about this. But I worry about unseen damage — the frame, or cab, or even the receiver hitch. That was quite a fall — it was six feet to the concrete floor. What do you think? Will my truck be OK? Or will it be twisted or bent? It was in outstanding condition before. Please advise. — Sven
TOM: Yes, it’s highly likely that your frame got bent.
RAY: Six feet might not sound like a lot, but when you weigh 5,000 pounds and don’t



CAR TALK
Tom and Ray Magliozzi

have knees, it makes for a hard landing. Your truck may be done for.
TOM: If your frame is not perfectly rectangular, the truck will always ride and handle strangely, and because the wheels will never be alignable, your tires will wear out prematurely.
RAY: You certainly are within your rights to have the truck taken to an auto-body shop of your choice to get an independent opinion.
TOM: If the frame is not bent, you’re all set, and they can just fix the body damage. If the frame is bent but the rest of the damage is not too extensive, it’s possible that your frame can be replaced. Toyota’s been doing that for owners of old Tacoma pickup trucks whose frames have rotted out. So it’s possible to do. And again, if you have this done, you should have your own body shop verify that it was done well before agreeing to ac-

Life In Poetry

Shifting Away From Sadness

BY TED KOOSER
U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

Psychologists must have a word for it, the phenomenon of shifting the focus of sadness from the source of that sadness to something else. Here’s a fine poem on this subject by Penelope Scambly Schott, who lives in Oregon.

SECOND TOUR

While my husband packed to fly back to Vietnam, this time as a tourist instead of a soldier,

I drove to the zoo to say goodbye to the musk oxen who were being shipped out early next morning

to Tacoma. We were getting lions instead. When I got there, it was too easy to park.

The zoo was closing early so they wouldn’t let me in.

I went back to my car and slid into the driver’s seat.

Sobs tore from deep in my chest, I who had never seen a musk ox and never cared until now.

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DiscoverLaw Open House Slated For University Of South Dakota March 14

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota School of Law is hosting a DiscoverLaw Open House and a special guest speaker for its Thurgood Marshall Program on Wednesday, March 14. Reginald L. Robinson, director of the Center for Law and Government at Washburn University, will present the keynote address “Our Work Here Is Done? Considering Changed Circumstances and the Continuing Need for Special Rules under the Voting Rights Act of 1965” at noon in the School of Law courtroom. The law school program is an annual activity honoring Marshall, the first African-American to serve on the United States Supreme Court (1967-1991). Robinson, former president and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents from 2002 to 2010, served as Chief of Staff to the University of Kansas (KU) Chancellor and as a Visiting Associate Professor in the KU School of Law. Prior to KU, he joined the U.S. Department of Justice in 1993 as a White House Fellow

serving as a special assistant to Attorney General Janet Reno. In 1995, Robinson was appointed Deputy Associate Attorney General of the United States. His work on a proposed victims’ rights amendment to the Constitution led to an appointment as acting director of the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC). Prior to attending law school, Robinson served four years as a field artillery officer in the United States Army. Following graduation from law school, Robinson was a law clerk to Judge Deanell R. Tacha, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit and, in 1999, he was appointed to the President’s Commission on White House Fellowships. Additionally, a mock law class on professional ethics will be presented at 10 a.m. After the class, members of the USD Law School’s Black Law Students Association (BLSA) and the Native American Law Student Association (NALSA) will host a panel discussion at 10:50 a.m. in the courtroom for prospective law students, high school or college.

The panel discussion is also open to organizations, clubs or pre-law advisers. Persons interested in attending are asked to RSVP no later than March 12 to the dean’s office at Brenda.Walker@usd.edu or (605) 677-5443. Individual students are also encouraged to visit www.discoverlaw.org/register.asp to register for useful information about the law school admission process. The annual Thurgood Marshall Program at USD is free and open to the public, and is presented by BLSA and NALSA along with support from the Law School Admission Council’s DiscoverLaw.org Month program. For more information about USD School of Law visit www.usd.edu/law .

St. Patrick’s Day Celebration Set For Vermillion

VERMILLION — “The Good People” with Chris Hoover and artist Mary Black Bonnet Artichoker are headlining this year’s St. Patrick’s Day Celebration at Washington Street Arts Center, 202 Washington Street in Vermillion, on Saturday, March 17, running from 7-9 p.m. Bruce Gray, Cindy Gehm and Rebecca Gehm’s dynamic family trio, “The Good People,” play and sing a wide range of music, from old-time folk to popular songs. These musicians have performed at a number of venues in the area, including Gayville Hall. For this event they’ll collaborate with Irish balladeer Chris Hoover for the first half, then play a variety of music for the second half of the evening. Grace Freeman and her troupe of lively Irish Dancers will also perform. The evening will also feature Black Bonnet Artichoker’s “Ole Ni’s Taku he?” (What do you See?), a multi-media exhibit of photography, sculpture and painting. Currently a Vermillion resident, Black Bonnet Artichoker is an enrolled member of the Sicangu Nation at Rosebud, South Dakota. At the 21st Annual Sand Painters Open show in Valentine, Nebraska, she received the Douglas Ballard Memorial Award for outstanding Photography for her photograph, “Hi-hanni Waste” (Good Morning). Those attending will enjoy an Irish dinner of potato soup, beef stew, soda bread, desserts, and a variety of beverages, including Irish brews, wine, and soda. The open to the public, and tickets will be available at the door. There will be door prize drawings for new and current VAAC members. Sponsors are Carey’s Bar, Jones Foods, Hy-Vee, Walmart and Vermillion Area Arts Council.

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