

## Dedicated Service



SUBMITTED PHOTO  
During Lincoln School's end-of-year assembly Tammi Adam and Nancy Langdon were recognized for their many years of dedicated service to our PTA. Both served as officers for several years and provided leadership for our local organization in sponsoring many activities and projects that helped make Lincoln School a better place for students, parents and our community.

### American Life in Poetry

## Poet Does A 'Lot' With Observations

BY TED KOOSER  
U.S. Poet Laureate

Poets often do their best work when they're telling us about something they've seen without stepping into the poem and talking about themselves. Here's a lovely poem of observation by Terri Kirby Erickson, who lives in North Carolina.

#### HOSPITAL PARKING LOT

Headscarf fluttering in the wind,  
stockings hanging loose on her vein-roped  
legs, an old woman clings to her husband

as if he were the last tree standing in a storm,  
though he is not the strong one.

His skin is translucent—more like a window  
than a shade. Without a shirt and coat,

we could see his lungs swell and shrink,  
his heart skip. But he has offered her his arm,  
and for sixty years, she has taken it.

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## Cramer-Kenyon Historic Home Set For 2015 Season

The Board of Directors of the Cramer-Kenyon Historic Home, located at 509 Pine Street in Yankton, has announced that the 2015 touring season will officially open on Memorial Day Monday, May 25.

Built in the late 1870s and first occupied in the 1880s, this Eastlake Stick Style home occupies a place on the Historic Register and has been a source of inspiration for visitors since the mid-1970s.

The home is named in honor of Nelson J. and Alice Bullfinch Cramer who lived there from 1890 until their deaths in 1916 and 1929. The house then went to Mr. Cramer's great-niece, Esther Kenyon who lived there with her husband, Herbert, and family until his death in 1972. Most of the furnishings in the home belonged to either the Cramer's or the Kenyon's and have been carefully safeguarded over the years so that they maintain their original magnificent Victorian elegance.

During the season, tours are given of the entire historic home including the basement with its winter fish pond, the attic which was the living quarters for the house help

during the time the Cramer and Kenyon families lived there, and the two richly appointed levels which comprise the rooms which the family inhabited from 1890 forward. The carriage house is also on the tour list, as is the gazebo and, of course, the gardens which feature flowers and bushes reminiscent of the era in which the home was occupied by the Cramer and Kenyon families.

Some improvements to enhance the comfort of visitors have been added. The front steps have been rebuilt as has the entrance door leading into the east-facing family covered porch. There is, of course, a lift at the west side of the house for our visitors who have difficulty with steps. At your first visit you will meet our Tour Guide/Caretaker, Veronica, who will enthrall you with the family's stories.

After opening weekend, regular tours are held Wednesday through Sunday until Labor Day from 1-4 p.m. For large group tours, call the caretaker of the Home at (605) 665-7470. Arrangements can also be made for small receptions and parties by calling that number.

### MILITARY

#### ALEX HAGEN

Army Spc. Alex B. Hagen has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and cer-

emony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

Hagen is the son of Craig and Lisa Hagen of Sioux Falls. He is a 2010 graduate of O'Gorman High School, Sioux Falls. He earned an bachelor's degree in 2014 from the University of South Dakota, Vermillion.

### Car Talk

# Canned Tire Repair Products Are Only Temporary Fixes

BY RAY MAGLIOZZI  
King Features Syndicate, Inc.

#### Dear Car Talk:

I'm wondering if you would comment on tire-repair-in-a-can products like Fix-A-Flat for emergency tire repair. I am in the Navy and am trying to ensure that my wife has a backup plan to changing a tire if AAA is delayed for several hours (not a good thing with a 4-year-old in the back seat). Do these products work? — Jeffrey

They often do work. There are even a few small cars that come equipped with that stuff in the trunk.

In the first Fiat 500 we test drove, instead of a spare tire I remember finding a can of "flat fixer," a little air compressor and a bottle of Filippo Berio Extra Virgin Olive Oil. The oil must have been for dipping your bread in while waiting for the tow truck if the flat fixer didn't work.

If you have a small hole in the tire — from a nail, for instance — or a slow leak around the rim, products like Fix-A-Flat can work well as temporary solutions. The can contains a liquid that's injected into the tire, along with additional air. Once inside the tire, the slime hardens against the inside of the tire and, hopefully, covers up the hole.



Ray  
MAGLIOZZI

Fix-A-Flat is not going to help you at all. Unless, perhaps, you can stuff the can itself into the hole.

And there are other limitations to keep in mind. The stuff freezes when it's below 32 degrees. So if you live where it gets cold, and you keep it in your trunk, you may have to cuddle the can to your bosom in the passenger compartment for an hour or two until it turns back into liquid.

Also, there's not much additional air in that can. So if your tire is really flat and riding close to the rim, the contents of the can won't give you enough air to drive on.

But it's a temporary fix. The idea is that it allows you to get off the side of the road and get home, or get to a tire repair place.

And it won't work for every flat tire. If you have a gash in your sidewall, or you backed over the spikes in a rental car return lot, or sustained any serious damage, a can of

You can address that by keeping a little compressor in the car, like the one Fiat provides. It's powered by the car's power point (aka cigarette lighter). It's slow, but it gets the job done.

So, leaving a can of Fix-A-Flat in your wife's car, along with a compressor, is not a bad idea, Jeffrey. It may get her out of trouble someday. But because it won't work on every tire failure, you want her to have roadside assistance, too.

And even when it does work, make sure she knows that she'll need to get the car to a mechanic who can fix the tire properly with a patch or a plug.

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*Got a question about cars? Write to Car Talk in care of this newspaper, or email by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.*

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### SCHOLASTICS

#### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota confers degrees upon 1,400 graduates at the 128th Spring Commencement Saturday at the DakotaDome. Tom Gallagher, alumnus and international financial and policy advisor, will receive an honorary degree as Doctor of Humane Letters.

Gallagher and his wife Nancy are co-chairs of USD's Onward Campaign, raising \$250 million for future investment in the people and facilities at USD.

Here is a list of the area degree recipients and their hometowns:

#### NEBRASKA

- Coleridge — Haley Lea Hefner, Bachelor of Science, Health Sciences;
- Creighton — Benjamin Douglas Borgmann, Juris Doctor;
- Crofton — Christina R. Schroeder, Bachelor of Arts, Spanish;
- Newcastle — Brittney Ann Gutzmann, Master of Social Work; Tara Rohan, Bachelor of General Studies; Kimberly Diane White, Bachelor of General Studies;
- Ponca — John Gordon Leader, Master of Science, Administration;
- Saint Helena — Mitchell Duane Bruening, Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice;

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

- Alcester — Joshua Lee Carlson, Doctor of Physical Therapy; Ashlee Ann Wendt, Juris Doctor; Sarah Kiley Haisch, Bachelor of Science, Biology;
- Beresford — Eliann Renee Carr, Doctor of Philosophy, Counseling & Psychology in Education; T. Zachary Orr, Master of Public Administration; Teri Jean Krommendyk Beeson, Master of Science, Administration; Michael Alan Jensen, Bachelor of Science, Communication Studies; Madison Lee Landeen, Bachelor of Science, Economics, Bachelor of Business Administration, Management; Kaitlyn McCoy, Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology & Sport Science; Kyle DeLay, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Robyn R. Rentschler, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Burbank — Todd E. Stephens, Bachelor of Science, Media & Journalism;
- Centerville — Brian James King, Bachelor of Arts, History; Cynthia Kim Bendt, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Art; Amanda Kay Nelson, Bachelor of Science, Health Sciences; Molly Mae Pingrey, Bachelor of Science, Addiction Studies; Kayla Ann Bennett, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Kelsey Rae Laska, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Dakota Dunes — Anthony John Teesdale, Juris Doctor; Courtney Ellen Solma, Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice; Riley Jo Meier, Bachelor of Science in Education, English Education; Richard Waugh, Bachelor of Science, Health Sciences; Preeti Devendra Gupta, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Dante — Brett Robert Kuca, Bachelor of Science, Biology;
- Davis — Michelle Zarr, Master of Arts, Special Education;
- Delmont — McKenzie Marie Raterman, Master of Arts, Educational Administration;
- Elk Point — Jolene Kay Konechne, Specialist in Education, Educational Administration; Michelle L. Corio, Bachelor of Arts, Sustainability, Political Science; Elizabeth Anne Frisbie, Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice; Cassie Lynn Hilbrands, Bachelor of Science, Biology; Cayla Marie Hilbrands, Bachelor of Business Administration, Management; Riley Braun, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Freeman — James Dean Dreesen, Doctor of Medicine; Rachel Marie Preheim, Juris Doctor; Christy Margaret Hofer, Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting; Katherine Nicole Helderbrand, Bachelor of Science, Dental Hygiene;
- Gayville — Emma Octavia Ladwig, Doctor of Physical Therapy; Heather Ann Wardle, Bachelor of Science, Biology; William James Larsen, Bachelor of Science in Education, History Education;
- Geddes — Sara Lynn Pepper, Doctor of Medicine;
- Irene — Ann Christine Brockmuller, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Jefferson — Debi Ann Younger, Master of Arts, Educational Administration;
- Lake Andes — Nathan Snyder, Master of Science, Physics; Cody Michael Snyder, Bachelor of Science, Biology;
- Marion — Gwen Lickteig, Master of Science, Administration; Kassie Jo Chedester, Bachelor of Science, Communication Sciences & Disorders;
- Menno — Spencer T. Neuharth, Bachelor of Science, Biology;
- North Sioux City — Carlos Ochoa, Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice and Philosophy; Nicholas Spilger, Bachelor of Science, Biology; Adam James Brand, Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary Education; Paige Hoefs, Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
- Olivet — Kathleen Mary Wolmann, Specialist in Education, Educational Administration;
- Platte — Brian Thomas Westerhuis, Doctor of Medicine; Samantha Lee Booth, Master of Arts, Counseling & Psychology in Education; Dakotah Jeanne Taylor, Bachelor of Science, Communication Sciences & Disorders; Tammi Jean Chaney, Associate of Science, Nursing;
- Scotland — Natasha Sue Auch, Master of Social Work; Chandler U. Edwards, Bachelor of Science, English; Anthony Joe Edwards, Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting; Jesse Robert Pechous, Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary Education and Special Education;
- Tyndall — Lance Michael Ranek, Bachelor of Science, Psychology; Tad Aaron Schuurmans, Bachelor of Science, Economics; Taylor Barbara Van Gerpen, Bachelor of Science, Communication Sciences and Disorders; Katelyn Nicole Koch, Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary Education; Camille Lynn Hajek, Bachelor of Science, Dental Hygiene;
- Vermillion — Holly Teresa Baker, Doctor of Philosophy, English; Laurel Krokstrom, Doctor of Philosophy, Counseling and Psychology in Education; Chia-Ming Wu, Doctor of Philosophy, Materials Chemistry; Lisa Ida-Marie Ingalls, Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy; Jonathan Keith Brooks, Master of Arts, Educational Administration; Jackson Dean Freidel, Master of Arts, Kinesiology & Sport Science; Teniesha Anastasia Kessler, Master of Arts, English; Jamie Ann Turgeon-Drake, Master of Arts, Educational Administration; Hao Mei, Master of Science, Physics; Yadav L. Shrestha, Master of Science, Computer Science; Xianmin Xu, Master of Science, Computer Science; Tasia Marie Hofman, Master of Social Work; Janelle Luz Galpin Bachelor of Arts, International Studies and Media & Journalism; McKenzie Marie

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• Viborg — Stephanie A. Cain, Bachelor of General Studies; Ali-sha Lynn Roesler, Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting;

• Wagner — Alaina Marie Cuka, Bachelor of Arts, English; Casey James Barnett, Bachelor of Science, Psychology and Criminal Justice; Jennifer Jean Eggers, Bachelor of Science, Dental Hygiene;

• Wakonda — Melissa Marie Hessman, Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice and Psychology;

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#### EMILY JANAK

SEWARD, Neb. — Concordia University of Seward, Nebraska, awarded degrees to 316 graduates in May 2015. Graduates receiving a degree in December 2014, May 2015 or August 2015 were invited to participate in the university's 108th commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 9.

Honored students included: Emily Ann Janak, Niobrara, Neb., M.Ed.

#### JOSEPH BENDA

MOORHEAD, Minn. — Minnesota State University Moorhead will award degrees to more than 940 students during its spring commencement program Friday, May 15, 2015, in the university's Nemzek Fieldhouse. The College of Education & Human Services, College of Science, Health & the Environment, and Graduate Studies will participate in the 10 a.m. ceremony.

Among the graduates is Joseph Benda, Yankton; Degree(s): Bachelor of Science; Major(s): Computer Science; Honors: Summa Cum Laude.

## Schievelbein & Michels



Jill Anne Schievelbein and Collin Thomas Michels were married on November 29, 2014 at St. Michael's Parish, Sioux Falls, SD, with Father Charles Cimpl officiating.

Parents of the couple are Marty and Micki Schievelbein, Paula and Nick Weydert and Matt and Karen Michels, all of Yankton, SD.

Maid of honor was Sarah Klatt, Sioux Falls. Bridesmaids were Kacey Suing, Wellington, CO; Heather DeWit, Sioux Falls and Ashley Smith, Spirit Lake, IA. Mickila DeWit and Addison DeWit, Sioux Falls

and Jamison Suing, Wellington, CO, were the ring bearers.

Best man was Nick Weinandt, Madison, WI. Groomsmen were Jordan Schild, Yankton; Dan Davies, Vermillion; and Zach Helland, Des Moines, IA. Mike Van Aartsen, Jaron DeWit, Jason Suing, Brandon Eide and Paul Eide were ushers. Special music was provided by Nick Weydert, Jacyln Mathison, Sue Kane and Mary Doocy.

A reception and dance was held following the ceremony at Icon Lounge & Events, Sioux Falls.

Jill and Collin are both graduates of Yankton High School, 2007 and 2009 respectively. Jill is also a 2010 graduate of the University of South Dakota and is currently the assistant bookstore manager at Mount Marty College. Collin is a 2012 graduate of the University of South Dakota and is currently a medical student with the University of South Dakota School of Medicine. The couple resides in Yankton.

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40th Anniversary Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis

An open house celebrating the 40th wedding anniversary of Tony and Donna Ellis will be held Sunday, May 24th, 2015 from 1 - 4 p.m. at The Brewery, 200 Walnut St in Yankton, SD.  
Donna Riibe & Tony Ellis were married May 31, 1975, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington, NE. This event is hosted by their daughters Jacki Ellis and Traci Peterson and families. Friends and family please join us on this special occasion. Please no gifts.