

## Co-Host Of NPR's 'Car Talk' Dies At 77

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BOSTON — Tom Magliozzi, one half of the brother duo who hosted National Public Radio's "Car Talk," where they bantered with callers and commiserated over their car problems, died Monday of complications from Alzheimer's disease, the news organization said. He was 77.

"Car Talk" was NPR's most popular entertainment program for years, reaching more than 4 million people a week on more than 600 radio stations across the country. It continued to be a top-rated show even after the brothers stopped taping live shows in 2012, and the network began airing repurposed and archived materials.

Car Talk Executive Producer Doug Berman, in a statement posted on NPR's website, said Magliozzi's "dominant, positive personality" will be missed.

"He and his brother changed public broadcasting forever," he said. "Before Car Talk, NPR was formal, polite, cautious...even stiff."

The duo, which called themselves "Click and Clack, the Tappet Brothers," dispensed humor and advice about repairing cars. They ended their shows with a catchphrase — "Don't drive like my brother" — delivered in their signature Boston accents.

In a statement posted on Car Talk's website, Ray Magliozzi affectionately teased his late brother, who was 12 years his senior: "Turns out he wasn't kidding....He really couldn't remember last week's puzzler."

The Magliozzis were an unlikely radio duo.

The Cambridge, Massachusetts, mechanics and Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduates began their show on WBUR, Boston's NPR affiliate, in 1977 as volunteers. The weekly program became nationally broadcast starting in 1987 after building a steady local following.

Magliozzi was born June 28, 1937, in a largely Italian-American section of East Cambridge. According to NPR, he was the first in his family to attend college, earning a chemical engineering degree from MIT.

Magliozzi is survived by his first and second wives, three children, five grandchildren, and his close companion of recent years, Sylvia Soderberg, NPR said in a statement. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested fans make a donation in his memory to either their local NPR station or the Alzheimer's Association.

# Worn-Out Hinges Can Make A Car Think The Door Is Open

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI  
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CAR TALK  
Tom and Ray Magliozzi

**Dear Tom and Ray:**  
I have a 1996 Ford Windstar in perfect condition that was driven for years by a little old lady. She actually was from Pasadena, California. The problem is the occasional buzzing. It is like I left a door open while the engine is running. The van will be running fine, with no problems, except the buzzer is buzzing, the interior light is on and a picture of the van is lit up on the dash in red with a door open. Once the van reaches 15 mph, everything goes back to normal — until I slow to under 15 mph, at which point the buzzing starts again. Can you help with this annoyance? I'm going nuts. — Danny

**RAY:** You say the car acts as if a door is open when it's not, Danny.

**TOM:** Well, it may be that a door actually is open.

**RAY:** Not fully open — as in, you make a left turn and you roll out of the car and end up at the curb. But not fully closed, either.

**TOM:** I feel fortunate in saying that I haven't seen a 1996 Windstar in the shop recently, but there's either a switch in the doorjamb that gets pressed when the door is fully closed, or on some cars the door latch also acts as the switch.

**RAY:** And unless that switch is fully engaged,

the buzzer is going to come on, along with the dome light and dashboard warning.

**TOM:** My guess is that the hinges on one of your doors are worn out and the door isn't closing correctly. That

wouldn't be a surprise on a car that's approaching the two-decade mark.

**RAY:** If I had to guess, I'd try the driver's door first. Why? Because it's the door that gets opened and closed the most over the life of the vehicle.

**TOM:** You can try this experiment: Next time the buzzer goes off, roll down the window and get your whole arm on the outside of the door. Then pull the door closed as hard as you can. If you can get the buzzing to stop when you pull, and start again when you release the pressure, you've found the offending door.

**RAY:** If that experiment doesn't work, you'll have to engage an able-bodied assistant to help you push harder. While the buzzer is sounding, have your assistant stand outside the car and

push on the door with both hands.

**TOM:** If that stops the buzzing, have that assistant run alongside the vehicle for the next few years, pushing on the door, until something more serious breaks.

**RAY:** Actually, if you get no results on the driver's door, try the driver's-side sliding door next, and then work your way around the vehicle.

**TOM:** And once you've found it (or even if you can't identify it on your own), a body shop probably is your best bet to have it fixed. Try to get it done before you go completely nuts, Danny. Good luck.

*Wait! Don't buy another car without the mechanic's checklist that's included in Tom and Ray's pamphlet "How to Buy a Great Used Car: Secrets Only Your Mechanic Knows." It will help you get a good used car and avoid the clunkers. Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Used Car, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.*

Get more Click and Clack in their new book, "Ask Click and Clack: Answers from Car Talk." Get a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or email them by visiting the Car Talk website at [www.cartalk.com](http://www.cartalk.com).

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## Contact Center Wayne State Volunteer To Offer Holiday Fruit Baskets

The holiday season is rapidly approaching, and the Contact Center Food Pantry is providing Holiday Food & Fruit Baskets to low-income families and individuals. In years past, many individuals, retailers, banks, churches and other organizations have rallied to collect donations for this special project. Funding is needed to purchase food items as well as meat certificates.

This year's goal is \$15,000. Donations may be sent to: Contact Center Food Pantry, 321 West 3rd Street, Suite B02, Yankton, SD 57078.

You may also bring donations directly to the Contact Center, which is located in the basement of the Yankton County Government Building at 321 West 3rd Street.

Families and individuals wishing to participate in the Holiday Food/Fruit Baskets Project must complete a simple application, providing proof of address, number in the household and an active SNAP card.

Deadline to sign up for the Baskets is Friday, Dec. 12.

For more information regarding the Holiday Food & Fruit Baskets Project, call (605) 260-4400, Extension 2.



PHOTO: ANGIE STEFFEN  
Wayne State College student volunteer Megan Burcham shows the shape of a tree to children on the morning of Oct. 29 during a service-learning project for Wayne State College. Burcham worked with other student volunteers from Wayne State College to prepare lessons for Head Start children in Wayne. "Students prepared lessons that were age-level-appropriate, culturally-appropriate, helped children learn about senses and addressed fine-motor and occupational-therapy goals for individual students within a group activity," said Dr. Pam Langlie-Willers of Wayne State College.

## Nobel Peace Prize Nominee To Discuss Israeli Policy At USD

VERMILLION — The co-founder and director of a notable anti-Palestinian destruction group is bringing his message to the University of South Dakota campus at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 5, at I.D. Weeks Library room 205.

Dr. Jeff Halper of the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD) is presenting a forum entitled, "Destruction and Demolition: Israeli Policies Toward Palestinian Housing."

The program is sponsored by USD's International Studies Program and International Studies Club. Halper will be speaking on

behalf of the ICAHD, a human rights and peace organization focused on ending Israel's occupation over Palestinians. ICAHD cites "Israel's policy of demolishing Palestinian homes" as its main focus. The organization was awarded U.N. Economic and Social Council Special Consultative Status in 2010.

Halper has been internationally recognized for his work in the field, receiving a nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006 for his efforts in championing the liberation of both the Israeli and Palestinian people. He has been a peace and human rights activist for more than

three decades.

Born in Minnesota, he participated in the civil rights and anti-Vietnam War movements of the 1960s. Halper immigrated to Israel in 1973 after attending rabbinical school and resisting military service in the Vietnam War.

During his mandatory Israeli military service, he refused to bear arms or serve in the occupied Palestinian territories. In 1997, Halper co-founded the ICAHD.

The forum is free and open to the public.

## American Life In Poetry A Flying Light

BY TED KOOSER,  
U.S. Poet Laureate

Many poets have attempted to describe the way in which flocks of birds fly, as if they were steered by a single consciousness. In the following poem, David Allan Evans gives us a new metaphor for the way light shows through the flying birds. Evans is Poet Laureate of South Dakota.

### SIXTY YEARS LATER I NOTICE, INSIDE A FLOCK OF BLACKBIRDS,

the Venetian blinds  
I dusted off  
for my mother on  
Saturday mornings,  
closing, opening them  
with the pull cord a few  
times just to watch the outside  
universe keep blinking,  
as the flock suddenly  
rises from November stubble,  
hovers a few seconds,  
closing, opening,  
blinking, before it tilts,  
then vanishes over a hill.

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## Library to Sponsor Parents' Night Out

The Yankton Community Library and the Recreation Department are sponsoring a Parents' Night Out on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. for boys and girls ages 6-12 at the Summit Activities Center. Participants will make craft projects, eat pizza, play organized games in the gym and take a swim in the SAC pool.

Registration forms are available at the Summit Activities Center or the Yankton Community Library. A limited number of scholarships will be available for this program. The registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 5. Registration forms and payment should be turned in at the Library.

For additional information, call (605) 668-5275, (605) 668-5234 or stop by the Yankton Library at 515 Walnut Street or Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street.

## BIRTHS

### DIESEL HEALY

Simon and Amanda (Boyd) Healy of Irene announce the birth of their son Diesel Kevin Healy. Diesel was born on Oct. 22, 2014, at 4:56 p.m., at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton. Diesel weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long at birth.

Diesel joins siblings Cain (5) and Bella (3).

Grandparents are Kevin and Becky Neuhalfen, Yankton, and Kevin and Charlene Healy, Irene.

Great-grandparents are: Lucille Healy, Yankton; Don Boyd, Yankton; and Keith and Louise Neuhalfen, St. Helena, Nebraska; and Erna Jungclaus, Yankton.



Goeden-Kubal

Jodi Lynn Goeden of Yankton, SD, and Daniel (Dan) Joseph Kubal of Lesterville, SD, announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Parents of the couple are Orrin and Alice Roth of Alexandria, SD, and Michael and Gladys Kubal of Lesterville, SD.

The bride-elect obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from Mount Marty College and is currently employed as a registered nurse at Avera Medical Group in Yankton, SD.

The groom-elect is currently engaged in farming and is the owner of Beaver Creek Fencepost and Lumber. The couple is planning a November 15, 2014 wedding at St. Agnes Catholic Church.

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Tuesday, November 4  
7:40 am Yankton Library (Kathy Jacobs)  
8:20 am One Million Cups (Ben Hanten, Cheryl Heck)  
8:45 am Dakota Museum (Crystal Nelson)  
Wednesday, November 5  
7:40 am MVCA (Lauren Nelson)  
8:20 am Hy-Vee Foods (Chef Staci)  
8:45 am Mount Marty

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