

American Life In Poetry

A Poetic Look At Sunrise

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Anyone who has followed this column since its introduction in 2005 knows how much I like poems that describe places. Here's one by Joseph Hutchison, who lives in Colorado. This is the kind of scene that Edward Hopper might have painted. I especially love the way Hutchison captures the buzz of the neon sign.

WINTER SUNRISE OUTSIDE A CAFÉ

Near Butte, Montana
A crazed sizzle of blazing bees
in the word EAT. Beyond it,
thousands of stars have faded
like deserted flowers in the thin
light washing up in the distance,
flooding the snowy mountains
bluff by bluff. Moments later,
the sign blinks, winks dark,
and a white-aproned cook—
surfacing in the murky sheen
of the window—leans awhile
like a cut lily . . . staring out
into the famished blankness
he knows he must go home to.

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Egler To Perform USD Concert Oct. 10

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota will host concert organist Steven Egler at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10 at Aalfs Auditorium inside Sagle Hall.

The performance, which is free and open to the public, will feature Egler performing on the university's 29-stop E.M. Skinner organ built in 1925 and renovated

in 2011 by the Schantz Organ Company.

Egler is professor of organ at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, Mich. He has appeared in solo concerts throughout the United States and is a member of the Egler-Shelly duo. His program will include works by Franck, Vierne, Sowerby, Locklair and Yon.

Providing Help To The Voiceless Horn

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
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Dear Tom and Ray:
I have a 2000 Chevrolet Astro Van. The emergency warning device (aka, the horn) will work only if the outside temperature is above 55 degrees Fahrenheit. Seriously — I'm not making this up. Sometimes, if the temperature is near 55 degrees, and if I hold the horn button down for between one and three minutes, the horn will work. Once I get the horn to blow, it will work all day from then on. I'm about to buy an add-on button and attach it to an after-market horn, maybe with the "Dukes of Hazzard" theme. All kidding aside, it is a serious problem because I live in a cold part of the country, and for many months, the days above 55 are few and far between. Please help. Thank you! — Dan

RAY: No, thank YOU, Dan. This is the easiest question we've had all day. As modern cars go, the horn system is a very simple one.

TOM: Even for my brother! There's a horn pad on your steering wheel. When you press on it, you push together two metal contacts.

RAY: When those contacts touch, they don't make the horn blow. "Why not?" you say. "That's what happens in my car!" Well, yes, but there's an intermediate step you don't know about.

TOM: The horn takes too much current to safely run through your steering wheel, so those contacts in the wheel trigger a horn relay, which is just a



CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

heavy-duty switch that lives either under the dashboard or under the hood.

RAY: Then the relay closes and allows power to flow through to the horn itself (the noisemaking part of the system), which sits in front of the radiator.

TOM: So, one of those three components is not working.

RAY: Thank you, Steve McGarrett.

TOM: Start by checking the horn itself first. Old horns do rust out and fail this way. The easiest way to test it is — when the horn's not working — have someone try to honk the horn while you tap on the casing with a screwdriver or something. If you can get it to make any sound at all — even some sick-goose-like half-honking — that means your problem is in the horn.

RAY: And keep in mind that there are two horns that blow at the same time when you honk (that's what produces those two dissonant notes). It's

possible that the first one died in, like, 2005. And maybe you've just now noticed that the second one is gone.

TOM: You also can test the horn more scientifically by hooking up a test light to it. If the test light goes on when someone honks the horn for you but the horn doesn't make any noise, then you know the horn is getting current and just isn't working.

RAY: If the horn is NOT getting current, then it's either the contacts in the steering wheel's horn pad, or it's the horn relay.

TOM: I'd bet on the relay first. Why? Because it's easier to replace a \$20 relay than it is to take apart a steering wheel.

RAY: If a new horn relay doesn't fix it, then you know it's in the steering wheel, and you'll have to take it to a mechanic and shell out some money, Dan. Or go for that "add-on" horn button. Good luck.

If it ain't broke, you won't have to fix it! Order Tom and Ray's pamphlet "Ten Ways You May Be Ruining Your Car Without Even Knowing It!" Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Ruin, 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." Got 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.

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JOAD Receives \$1K



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The Riverboat Days Board of Directors recently made a \$1,000 donation to JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) for their work handling garbage and recycling during this year's festival. On the left is Dick Hunhoff representing Riverboat Days, on the right is Meredith Hunhoff, president of JOAD.

Wood Workshop Set

BROOKINGS — SDSU Extension is hosting a wood utilization workshop Oct. 12 at N.E. Hansen Farm, South Dakota State University, Brookings. Workshop is free and begins at 9:30 a.m. and is scheduled to wrap up around noon.

"Too often we cut down mature or over-mature urban and windbreak trees and burn or bury the wood. Considering the potential value in some trees, we might as well burn or bury money," said John Ball, SDSU Extension Forestry Specialist.

This outdoor workshop will cover the basics of turning trees into valuable products. Discussions and demonstrations will cover

how logs are scaled (measured,) the economics of setting up a mill, the drying process and maintaining blades. Participants will be able to examine and watch a portable mill operation, CNC machines and a solar kiln.

The workshop will be held at the N.E. Hansen Research Farm just east of the campus of SDSU in Brookings. The entrance to the farm is just off the Highway 14 bypass, about 1/2 mile east of the exit 133 I-29 intersection.

No pre-registration is required but people may contact John Ball at john.ball@sdstate.edu for more information.

BIRTHS

PRIA JAUQUES

Derek and Megan Jaques of Yankton announce the birth of their daughter, Pria Brienne Jaques, born Sept. 8, 2013.

She joins sibling Graham, 9.

Grandparents are Tom and Lynn Balfany, Yankton; Gwen and Mike Haigler, Sycamore, Ill.; and Tim Jaques, Laramie.

GRANT DELVAUX

Zach and Cheryl Delvaux (Lammers) of Yankton announce the birth of their son, Grant, born Aug. 19, 2013, at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton. He weighed 4 pounds, 11 ounces.

He joins a sibling, Ali, 2. Grandparents are Ron and Karen Lammers, Hartington, Neb., and John and Rosemarie Delvaux, Woonsocket.

Great-grandparents are Jeanette Lammers, Hartington, Neb., and Ursula Delvaux, Huron.

KENZIE KABEISEMAN

John and Emily Kabeiseman of Yankton announce the birth of their daughter Kenzie Ann Kabeiseman, born July 31, 2013. She weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces

and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Lori Hart of Elkton and Leona Kabeiseman of Yankton.

Great-grandmother is Melinda Bessler of Brookings.

BETHANY BOHLMANN

Brian and Kari Hohn-Bohlmann of Yankton announce the birth of Bethany Mae Bohlmann, who was born Sept. 13, 2013, at Avera McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces

She joins big brothers Benjamin, 4 1/2, and Nathaniel, 3.

Grandparents are Delores Bohlmann, Yankton, and Roland and Mary Hohn, Wahoo, Neb.

KENLEY STUCKY

Jacob and Britta (Stenstrom) Stucky of Yankton announce the birth of Kenley Joy Stucky, who was born Aug. 28, 2013. She weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

Grandparents are Gary and Cindy Stenstrom, Yankton, and Jim and Michelle Stucky, Yankton.

Great-grandparents are Jean Stenstrom, Alcester; Frank and Janice Vellek, Yankton; Doris Stucky, Yankton.

Oct. 31 Is Deadline For Academy Apps.

WASHINGTON — Rep. Kristi Noem, Sen. Tim Johnson and Sen. John Thune have announced that young South Dakotans interested in being nominated to one of the four U.S. Service Academies for the Class of 2018 should apply by Oct. 31, 2013.

South Dakota residents between the ages of 17 and 23 may apply to any of the four service academies if they meet eligibility requirements in leadership, physical aptitude, scholarship and character. The four service academies are the Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.; the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.; the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo.; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N.Y.

"Nominating students each year for admission to our Service Academies is one of my favorite responsibilities as a U.S. senator. I am continually impressed by the caliber of South Dakota students who apply," said Johnson. "U.S. Service Academies are rigorous, but open a world of opportunity for their students."

"Our nation's service academies attract some of the best and brightest young men and women from

around the nation," said Thune. "These military men and women serve our country with distinction and it is an honor for me to nominate students from South Dakota to serve at these fine institutions."

"The U.S. Service Academies help build up the next generation of American leaders, and it is a privilege to nominate South Dakotans to the four Academies," said Rep. Noem. "South Dakota's young people continue to impress and inspire me, and I look forward to the nomination process."

Noem, Johnson and Thune will each compile separate lists and make nominations to the academies of the most qualified candidates by Jan. 31, 2014. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications to all three Congressional offices in order to better their chances of receiving a nomination. The academies will make the final decision on acceptance and announce appointments next spring.

Interested applicants should contact: Congresswoman Noem's office at (605) 275-2868; Senator Johnson's office at (605) 332-8896; Senator Thune's office at (605) 334-9596.

I Spy Pie Benefit Set For Oct. 19

Buying a handmade pie on Saturday, Oct. 19, at your local Hy-Vee store will help save abandoned pets in the area.

The Heartland Humane Society (HHS) and Hy-Vee stores in Yankton and Vermillion are teaming up to host the inaugural I Spy Pie Benefit.

HHS board members will be offering the homemade pies from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19 at Hy-Vee stores in Yankton and Vermillion. The pies can come either pre-baked or ready-to-bake for a warm apple pie any time of the year.

"What a great item to buy now for Thanksgiving or as a Christmas Gift," said HHS director Kerry Schmidt.

The made-from-scratch pie fundraiser is one of many annual fundraisers to help cover the costs of vet-

erinary care for HHS. Schmidt said the shelter has helped more than 250 animals this year and is budgeting to help over 400 in 2014.

"We work with a very modest budget compared to other shelters in this region," Schmidt said. "We are the only animal shelter actively serving abandoned pets in the surrounding area and every penny counts."

Pre-orders can be placed by calling the shelter at 605-664-4244 or emailing Schmidt at hhs@midconetwork.com

Orders need to be picked up on Oct. 19 during the event. Other arrangement needs for orders of six pies or more can be arranged with Schmidt.

All proceeds go to Heartland Humane Society.

BIRTHDAYS

DELLA SNETHEN

The family of Della Snethen invite you to celebrate her 80th birthday at an open house on Sunday Oct. 13 from 1-4 p.m. at the Springfield Community Center. Cards may be sent to Box 265, Springfield, SD 57062.



Snethen

CAROL WALZ

Carol Walz will celebrate her 75th birthday on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Her family is requesting a card shower. Greetings may be sent to: 31108 Bluff Rd, Vermillion SD 57069.



Walz

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60th Anniversary Celebration

Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Severson

Maurice and Ann (Rask) Severson of Vermillion, SD, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on October 13, 2013, from 1 - 4 p.m. at Holiday Inn, South Entrance, in Vermillion, SD. Friends and family are invited to attend.

They have three children: Tom (Mary) Severson of Rochester, MN, Janet (Dale) Ducheneaux of Canton, SD, and John (Janice) Severson of Sioux Falls, SD.

The couple has four grandchildren. Their family requests a card shower. Greetings may be sent to 1714 Baylor, Vermillion, SD 57069.

The couple requests no gifts.

GOT NEWS?

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Congratulations



Czeckers Ribbon Cutting

The Yankton Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting for Czeckers Sports Bar & Grill, 417 Walnut St. Czeckers is Yankton's newest destination for sports, wings and drinks. Open Sunday-Thursday 11a.m.-12a.m. and Fri-Sat. 11a.m.-2p.m. Jean, Dan, Matt & Kelsey invite you to bring your family, watch all your favorite teams and enjoy the great Czech hospitality of Czeckers. Call (605)689-2244 or email czeckersbarandgrill@gmail.com.

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