

## February 2025 Haikus Food of survival Forgotten under fresh snow **Enduring Bloom** Sprouts the mighty oak Starr-Hope Ertel ----traded by her brothers for the watch they stole ... **Anthony Marcucio** my 13 year old Grandma Marita Gargiulo "Trek" ----steel skies skulkcorners of darkness seep East toward sunrise. into weeping days Kevin Carey Cold wind in my face Five below tonight, feathered goldfinches hunker, feet wrapped round soft bark. David Boston Laura Rodley ----quick silver foxes January rain whose snow chutes failed to open still hoping to freeze James R. Scrimgeour Ed Ahern







The rose fights the morning frost Pushing limits to reach the warm sun Persevering through life's pain

A crescent moon glows Guiding three night travelers

Shawn M. Von Briesen

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As I trudge through the deep snow Stars shine in the night

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playing in the black meadow: waves in the night sea.

When I am on fire your river stretches below legs dangling, I jump

Cynthia Santostefano Sharr

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Memories frozen in time flower roots flutter Certain people stay under February ground But life somehow carries on five month fetus breathes. -Sydney Putnam Peter Ulisse \_\_\_\_\_ dandelion war Ananke cut down in their prime for naught yellow heads pop back Thoughts written in stone Are in it for the long run. Patti Fusco How long must I wait? Kelly Jo Carlson Hope slayed by hubris Promise of equality heavy hail... Smashed by many lies. the Buddha and I weathering Lynn Faria Adele Evershed I tried, tried, and tried Endurance I succeeded gracefully On to a new month. **Favorite Breakfast** Bread, Water, Tears for Us Gloria Jainchill All I can afford -----Rachel Larensen Canyon's strata wall \_\_\_\_\_ soft water eon scratched lathe of heavens hand goose steps across snow drifts -Tony Fusco endurance

Suzanne Niedzielska

It's the Little Things that Count	******	I'm like a haiku	*****
A cigarette tossed, a car speeds on, a spark flares,		my syllables delicate	
the watershed gone.		meaning between breaths	
-Charlie Ewers		Karl Traichel	
Giant begonia,			
why hide your rosy spring blooms		frayed by time	
under wine-red fans?		the stitches will come undone	
		nothing endures	
Mary Hills Kuck		Deborah Howard	
Persistence endures.			
Everything else falls apart.		"Have a nice day!"	
Sadly, even us.		daily delivery	
		sans empathy	
Mark McGuire-Schwartz			
		Jan Geoghegan	
The door swings both ways			
Opening to a confused mind			
Where love and hate dwell.		The power of love	
		Sustains people during	times
Larry E. Zimmerman		Of epic crisis!	
Hebron Poet Laurate			
		Mario R. Cavallo	
It was a gradual			
fall, that happened		"Endurance"	
so quickly.		Cold never ending.	
		The sky turning black by four.	
Matthew Mercure		Suddenly, crocus, hope	<b>).</b>
		Ed Lent	

Snow deep sadness and yet a snoring sound relaxes

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