

## Springtime

Up North, snowmelt lets  
dandelions thrust skyward  
taking early lead

lawn mowers emerge  
from dank musty garages  
reluctant to start

farmers plant their corn  
hoping for a banner year  
dreading flood and drought

Down Here, snowbirds fly  
their invasion is over  
we get our town back

Ringling Bridge is clear  
we'll reach Anna Maria  
in time to do lunch



Photo: Kansas dandelions (by Susan)  
Spoken as a Sarasotan

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