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## Take a Seat

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### Cover Page Footnote

This poem is dedicated to: Katie Arms-Farber, LLMSW, who thought the poem was, "...really good...".

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In Mike's garage  
Nestled amongst the tools of a cobbler  
Were four painted chairs  
With aged finish checked like fish- scales

Exhumed from beneath a tarpaulin  
Was a drop-leaf table  
Laid to rest by Eddie's mother  
Before the Great War had ended

Former neighbors straddled the chairs  
That encircled the table  
While mulling the grit  
Of luke-warm friendships and memories

Stacks of sulfur-yellow newspapers  
Atop cases of canning jars  
Competed with long-expired calendars  
Reinforced the reminder of harder times