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## **Douglas Armstrong's new novel, "Sun Dog Memory," is now available**

Milwaukee – Douglas Armstrong's fourth novel takes him back to his Kansas roots and to the stories his grandfather never told him. A chance comment from his mother revealed this hidden past and sent the author on a decade-long journey to turn elements of it into a gripping new novel, "Sun Dog Memory."

Set at the dawn of the Twentieth Century on the western plain and concluding in the early days of the dust bowl, "Sun Dog Memory" is a story of a family at war with itself through the boom and bust cycle of homesteading.

The book begins with Jed Albright's startling discovery of a girl who is a dead ringer for his long-missing sister. Their encounter outside a cow town depot draws the railway mail clerk into a web of lies, treachery, and vengeance that soon has him on the run for his life.

"Jed's railway mail clerk job...perfectly suits his character: honest and unassuming yet capable of iron-willed determination and grit to protect those he cares about," says Kirkus Reviews. "This fast-paced narrative effectively mixes intense family drama with rapid-fire action."

Armstrong's debut novel, "Even Sunflowers Cast Shadows," also set in period small-town Kansas, won the Council for Wisconsin Writers Award as best novel in 2010. He is the author of two novels about newspaper life, "Life on The Sun" and "Color of The Sun," as well.

Armstrong will appear at Boswell Books, 2559 N Downer Ave, Milwaukee, at 6:30 p.m. October 5. He will narrate a slide presentation about the origination of his new book and read from the novel. Later he will greet readers and autograph copies of his books for those who want them.

"Sun Dog Memory" is scheduled for release in September. The book can be preordered today at Boswell Books in Milwaukee and for Kindle on Amazon.com.