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Chinook

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the chinook
 blew in January

sent tin roofs
 from cow sheds
 sailing
 into the Oklahoma sky

where they floated
 twisting and turning
 like kites
 with broken tails

Tenting in the Oklahoma Panhandle.

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coyotes wake me

one yelp
 trills
 trails into
 the next

a ring of howls in the black
 surrounds me

the hunk of meat
 in the middle
 on the ground

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