

The Bookworm

'Point' Filled With Surprises

"The Breaking Point" by Jefferson Bass; © 2015, William Morrow; 384 pages

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

When it comes to your job, you're a crackerjack.

You have quite the reputation for doing your best, in fact, which is why colleagues come to you for help. Nobody busts a move like you: smooth, efficient and done right. Yep, when it comes to your job, you can't be beat.

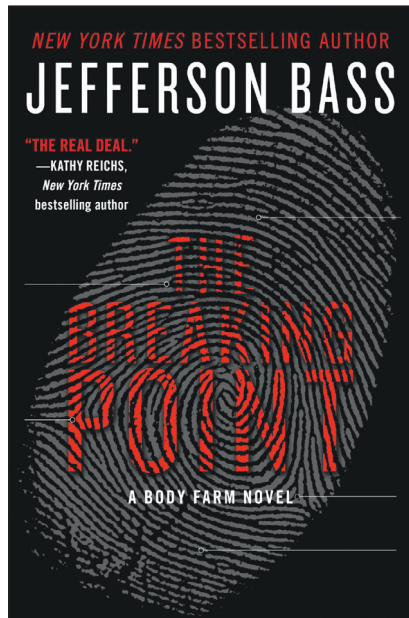
Except when you can. Except when everything points somewhere else and you're ripped off-track, as in the new novel "The Breaking Point" by Jefferson Bass.

Within the philanthropic world, Richard Janus was known for his speed.

When tragedy occurred anywhere in the world, before most governmental entities could even get organized, Janus was on the scene aboard his private jet filled with water, first aid and other supplies. Earthquake, tornado, hurricane, flood — it didn't matter; Janus' humanitarian efforts helped save lives.

It was therefore a shock to his supporters and donors when Janus lost his.

The fireball was, by all accounts, huge: that's what happens when a Citation jet slams into the side of a mountain near San Diego at 400 miles an hour. There wasn't much of Richard Janus left to



identify, but the FBI needed the best forensic expert they could hire to try. They contacted Dr. Bill Brockton.

As a leader in forensic anthropology and the founder of the U of Tennessee's Body Farm, Brockton was well-known for his expertise in identifying bodies and determining time of death. The Janus case, however — and Brockton hesitated to call it a "case," since it seemed to have been an accident — would almost bust his chops.

Judging by a nearly full set of teeth found at the site, Janus had been killed by the crash; a second set of teeth momen-

tarily sidelined the investigation, but were explained by a bizarre coincidence. Janus, during his nighttime flight, had apparently missed a mountain and died for his mistake. But then reports surfaced that Brockton had missed an important dental clue, and the media howled ...

Brockton was used to that. Media loved their scandals, after all, but the onslaught in California and new allegations back home were almost unbearable — especially when another, more deadly bombshell entered his life.

Having read quite a number of the Body Farm novels, I have to say that I was surprised by "The Breaking Point."

Authors Jon Jefferson and Dr. Bill Bass (who write together under this collective pseudonym) step back in time here to give fans a bit of history for their hero, Brockton, in a twist that takes a little getting used to but turns out to be rich in story. Not only is that a bonus for anyone who's familiar with this smart, authentic (Bass was the creator of the real-life Body Farm) investigator, but it also makes this book a great place for new fans to start the series.

Bursting with red herrings and creepy bad guys (and a hint of the next book, perhaps?), this mystery-thriller is a whodunit lover's dream. Be warned though: start a novel like "The Breaking Point," and it could crack your schedule.

Growing In Agriculture

Celebrating June Dairy Month

Like many South Dakotans, dairy was a part of my life growing up. The milk cows helped provide us a living that allowed our family to move home to South Dakota from Waterloo, Iowa where my father had worked for John Deere.

Today, we have more than 250 dairy operations that generate more than 246 million gallons of milk in 2014 - that's almost 4 billion glasses of milk! Our dairies make significant contributions not only to our food supply, but to our rural economies. One dairy cow has a \$14,402 economic impact on a community each year. In celebration and gratitude for all that dairy does for us here in South Dakota, Governor Dugaard declared June as Dairy Month.

One of the reasons a dairy cow has such a significant impact on local economies is because we are able to process so much of our milk here in the state. Our dairy processors are responsible for the production of cheese, lactose and protein powders, cream, milk, ice cream, butter and other dairy foods. Not only does the dairy industry contribute to South Dakota's economy, dairy contributes to South Dakota's families by providing a healthy diet rich in calcium, protein, potassium, Vitamin D and other vital nutrients

The dairy industry is strong in South Dakota, fueled partially by the Dairy Science programs at South Dakota State University - one of the best in the country. As strong as we are, there is considerable room for growth in the industry. In the past year, we have added 6,000 cows to our dairy herds and increased output by almost 10%, the highest jump in the nation! I remain committed to working with our dairy producers to continue to grow this vital sector of the agriculture industry.

As you enjoy June, and the beginning of summer, join me in raising a cold glass of milk in thanks to our dairy producers here in South Dakota. Cheers!

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June 26, 2015
21.08 Acres, +/- Cropland
Pt. of Sec. 19, Twp. 29N, Rg. 5W
Knox County, NE
4:30 p.m.
(sells onsite prior to personal property auction)
Located northwest of Creighton, NE
Joe & Waneen Jelinek Estate

July 9, 2015
70 Acres, +/- Cropland
Pt. of Sec. 7, Twp. 30N, Rg. 3W
Knox County, NE
1:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Community Center
Located west of Bloomfield, NE
Family of Wayne & Norma Jean Rose

July 14, 2015
158.37 Acres, +/- Irrigated Cropland
154.79 Acres, +/- Dryland Crop Ground
SE¼ of Sec. 30, Twp. 27N, Rg. 8W,
SW¼ of Sec. 20, Twp. 27N, Rg. 8W,
Antelope County, NE
1:30 p.m.
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Home and Personal Property

AUCTION

Sunday, June 28 -- 11 a.m.

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REAL ESTATE consists of a 1248 sq ft, 1 story 3 bedroom home with a full basement and 2 car attached garage. Built in 1976 this one owner home offers a recent metal roof, elec heat pump, central air, 1 1/2 baths, 1 car detached garage and spacious 100'x142' corner lot. TR6-10-2c

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 11 & 12, Block 59, Curriers 3rd Add.

TERMS & CONDITIONS: \$7500 non-refundable down payment day of auction with balance due at closing. Title Insurance and closing service fees split 50-50 between buyers and sellers. 2015 Real Estate taxes prorated to closing. Possession upon receipt of final payment. Announcements day of auction take precedence over printed material. Peterson Auctioneers are representing sellers.

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appointment or attend the open house
Monday, June 22 from 5-7 p.m.

■ JURASSIC

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SUPER CONNECTION

Because of the growing number of comic book-inspired productions, more and more actors have credits for films or TV shows featuring a costumed hero. Several of the actors in "Jurassic World" share this trait.

CHRIS PRATT: Portrays Peter Quill in the mega hit "Guardians of the Galaxy."

BRYCE DALLAS HOWARD: Took on the role of Gwen Stacy in "Spider-Man 3."

VINCENT D'ONOFRIO: Plays a New York kingpin in the TV series "Daredevil."

OMAR SY: He was Bishop in "X-Men: Days of Future Past."

JUDY GREER: She's playing Maggie in the upcoming "Ant-Man."

BRIAN TEE: He's Noburo in "The Wolverine."

TY SIMPKINS was in "Iron Man 3."

IRRFAN KHAN had a role in "The Amazing Spider-Man."

BACK FOR MORE

The only cast member to return from one of the previous films is BD Wong. He reprises his role of Dr. Henry Wu from "Jurassic Park."

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Household AUCTION

Sunday, June 21 -- 11 a.m.

LOCATED: 642 Augusta Circle, Yankton, SD south of Walmart on FoxRun Parkway then west on Augusta Circle

HOUSEHOLD: Electric lift recliner; Sofa and matching love seat; Sleeper sofa; Recliners; Easy chairs; Glider rocker; 5 pc queen bedroom set; 3 pc bedroom set; Queen bed; Single bed; Tables and chairs; Lighted curio; Modern hall tree; Hall table; Entertainment center; Chests of drawers; Misc stands; Cabinets and shelves; Kitchen island; Rockers; 2 Singer sewing machines; Sewing supplies; Lowry electric organ; Card tables and chairs; Vacs; Shampooer; Dehumidifier; Electric heaters; Fans; Lamps; Mirrors; Pictures; Many glass figurines; Bedding; Blankets; Table cloths; Linens; Material; Rugs; Towels; Oster toaster oven; Elec grill; Sunbeam mixer; Small electric kitchen appliances; Dish sets; Roasters; Cookware; Silverware and utensils; Plus many more kitchen and household related items.

ANTIQUES - COLLECTIBLES: Oak serpentine dresser and mirror; 2 commodes; Oak secretary, in part; Lots of costume jewelry; Jewelry boxes; Acoustic guitar; Marbles; Dolls; Childs dish sets; Kerosene lamps; Tea pots; Collectable glass.

MISCELLANEOUS: Craftsman 13 1/2 hp 30" riding mower; 3 wheel bike; Fishing equipment; Bench grinder; Vice; Shop vac; Ladders; Miscellaneous power tools; Trimmers; Hand tools; Forks; Rake; Lawn and garden supplies.

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