

ENTERTAINMENT DIGEST

Museum Event Examines Civil War Ties

Yankton's Dakota Territorial Museum will present its Brown Bag Lunch series at noon today (Friday) concerning the subject "Yankton and the Civil War," presented by Doug Haar.

The Civil War is the largest and most notable military conflict to take place on American soil but in Yankton, Dakota Territory, residents may have been more interested in the Native American conflicts than the one between the States. However, some of Yankton and Dakota Territory's most distinguished residents and famous visitors derived from the Civil War. Find out what Yankton residents really thought about the Civil War and their benefits of its aftermath.

Luken Reception At GAR Hall Gallery Tonight

Yankton Area Art will be hosting its First Friday evening featuring artist Scott Luken. Luken's exhibition entitled "The Big and Heavy Art Show," is on display in the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery located at 508 Douglas Avenue.

Yankton Area Arts will host a reception for Luken beginning at 5 p.m. tonight (Friday) at the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery. The reception is open to the public and everyone is invited to take this opportunity to meet artist and visit with Luken about his work. The gallery talk will begin shortly after 5:30 p.m. and all ages are encouraged to attend.

Viewers visiting the gallery during this exhibit are in for a rare treat of beautifully carved granite sculptures and one of a kind paintings.

The First Friday series is a regular scheduled monthly event designed to promote art in the community.

For more information call 665-9754, email Pam@YanktonAreaArts.org or see www.YanktonAreaArts.org.

Red Cross Benefit Comedy Show Tonight

Minerva's Grill & Bar and The American Red Cross are hosting "Dinner & Laughs with Mike Armstrong" tonight (Friday). Celebrate April Fool's Day with two hilarious shows, with all proceeds benefiting the Yankton County Red Cross.

Mike Armstrong is a regular on the "Bob & Tom Show," as well as the "Bob & Tom All-Stars" theater tour. He has been on Comedy Central and NBC, and he recently released a CD entitled "Comedy Police."

There is a 6 p.m. show that includes dinner. There is also a late 10:30 p.m. show, with doors opening at 10 p.m.

For more information and to purchase tickets, stop by Minervas Grill & Bar, 1607 East Hwy 50, Yankton, SD 57078 or call 605-664-2244.

MMC Theatre Rummage Sale Saturday

Mount Marty College Theatre invites the general public to a Costume Spring Cleaning Rummage Sale Saturday, April 2, running from 9 a.m.-noon.

A variety of items from the costume inventory will be available. The rummage sale will be held in the Bistro Second Stage, located in Room 127 of Bede Hall on the Yankton campus.

'Jamboree' Kicks Off Gayville Hall's Season

GAYVILLE — Gayville Hall kicks off its 11th season at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 2, with its recurring musical variety show, "The Hay Country Jamboree."

Jamboree regulars, including the hall's country music hosts John and Susan McNeill and virtuoso banjo player Daniel Kilbride, will welcome Iowa's "Singing Farmer," Ervin Pickhinke, as the season's first special guest.

Staged the first Saturday every month through November, each Jamboree features three or more musical acts on stage together trading old-time tunes, country, bluegrass, and humor by turn, according to Gayville Hall proprietor Doug Sharples.

The shows are two hours long, including a short intermission midway, and are presented in an alcohol-and-smoke free, family-friendly setting.

Sharples and his wife Judi converted the former grocery and general mercantile building, which dates from the 1880s, into a music hall in 2001 after the Gayville Country Store closed.

It is located at 502 Washington Street in Gayville. Call 605-267-2859 for ticket information.

'Back To The '50s' Night Set For Viborg

VIBORG — A "Back to the '50s" event will be held at the Viborg Community Center on Saturday, April 2, running from 7-10 p.m.

This free evening of activities will include a Jitterbug Contest at 8 p.m. Trophy will be awarded to the winning couple. There will also be Hula Hoop and bubblegum-blowing contests, ice cream specialties including Purple Cows and Root Beer Floats. There will also be lots of 1950s music for your listening or dancing pleasure.

For more information, contact Lisa McIvanna at (605) 766-4004 or e-mail judy.vanderhule@sanfordhealth.org.

Bingo Night Set For Webster School April 7

A Bingo Night will be held at the Webster Elementary School Gym, 317 E. Seventh Street, Yankton, on Thursday, April 7.

Activities begin at 5:45 p.m. with pizza and a silent auction. Bingo games begin at 6:30 p.m. Eight games of bingo will be played.

All proceeds from the evening will be donated to the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in honor of Team Susan.

For more information, call 660-6303 or email hsavey@ysd.k12.sd.us.

YSD 63-3 Event Scheduled For April 8

The Yankton School District 63-3 Foundation will host its fifth annual YSD 63-3 Dinner/Auction/Toast on Friday evening, April 8.

The event will be held at Minerva's Bar & Grille (banquet rooms), with a social and silent auction beginning at 5:30 p.m.; sit-down dinner and program at 7 p.m.; followed by a live auction that will conclude by 9:30 p.m.

Sheila Woodward will be the Mistress of Ceremonies for this year's event, which will roast Ted Powell (YHS band director) and honor/roast Joyce Wentworth (director of Student Services retiring after 39 years of service to the district).

Tickets can be purchased individually or by table by calling Pauline Rhoades at (605) 665-8981 or (605) 660-2033; or by e-mail at paulinerhoades@msn.com.

'Forum' Auditions Set For April 10-11

Auditions for the Lewis and Clark Theatre Co. (LCTC) production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" will be held at the Dakota Theatre on Sunday, April 10, and Monday April 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

"Forum" was written by Stephen Sondheim and is the first show of the LCTC's 50th season.

Loosely based on three ancient Greek comedies, this hilarious musical tells the story of a household slave trying to gain his freedom by helping the son of his family woo the woman who works next door. ("Next door" happens to be a brothel!)

Yankton native Marc Merrill will direct the show, and he needs a cast of about 10 males and 10 females. The cast does not include children.

While prepared numbers are welcome, auditions will mainly be cold readings, so there is no need to prepare anything.

For more information, call the Dakota Theatre anytime at 605-665-4711 and leave a message with a name and best contact number. The call will be returned as soon as possible.

Regular office hours are noon-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

■ Get Updates At Yankton Online (www.yankton.net)

Cornerstone Evangelical Church

meets at
Stewart Elementary School
208 W. 21st, Yankton

10:30am Morning Service
Nursery provided

Pastor Omanson is preaching a series of detailed sermons from the Book of Revelation

THE BOOK SHELF

Novel Takes Readers To 'The Limit'

"The Limit" by Kristen Landon, Aladdin (Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing), 2010. 304 pages.

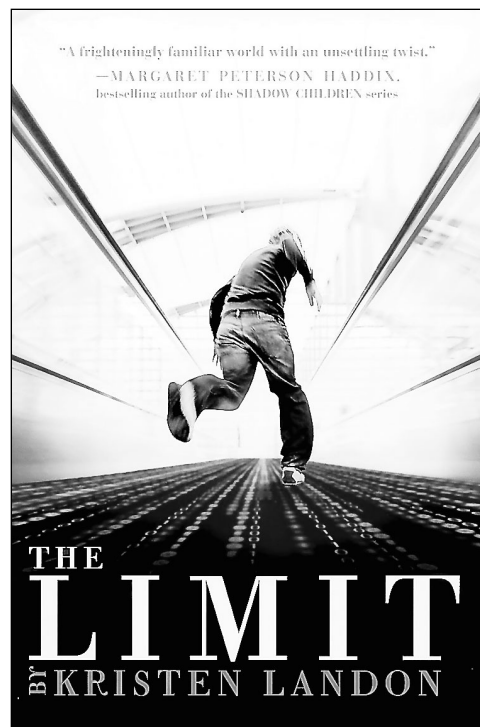
BY PAT HANSEN

We all have to watch how much money we spend. When you're young, you might be lucky enough to get an allowance from your parents. Or maybe they pay you to do extra jobs. When you're a teenager you might have a part-time job. No matter how much money you have or where it comes from you need to make sure you don't spend more than you make.

Some adults have trouble with this — they keep running their credit card balance higher and higher. The penalty? They have to pay high interest and other charges. This is serious enough, but what if it were even worse? What if, when an adult went over their credit limit, one of their children would be taken away by the government and made to work to help pay down the family debt?

Twelve-year-old Matt's family will never be in that situation, he thinks. Until one day they are, and Matt is whisked away within the hour to the Federal Debt Rehabilitation Agency workhouse. His parents promise to get the problem fixed right away. Meanwhile Matt is tested for his skills and intelligence. Lucky him, he makes top floor. Top floor is for the most intelligent and gifted. It looks more like a luxury hotel than a workhouse.

In the mornings they study their school-work via a computer. Matt finds he actually likes it better than sitting in school being



held back by others who don't understand the material as quickly as he does. In the afternoons they do real work on their computers for real companies, doing such things as financial analysis or marketing strategies. Their pay from the companies goes to pay down their parents' debt until it's back below the limit. In the evenings the top floors can play in the pool or on the high-

tech video games. They can order in whatever they want to eat. What a life, right?

Well, except for the fact that they're not allowed to leave their floor. No going outside for a breath of fresh air. They must never venture onto another floor. Their cell phones don't get any reception. And incoming and outgoing email doesn't work even though he's told it's just a technical glitch. What is the workhouse hiding?

Matt decides to do what he does best — hack into the workhouse's computer system. There he discovers that his little sister is in the workhouse, too, on another floor. He's able to outsmart the security system to be able to see her. When she has a seizure while he's with her, Matt is alarmed. There seems to be a pattern of headaches and seizures in this workhouse. If the workhouse won't take care of his sister, it's up to Matt to get her the help she needs. Little does he know he's about to discover what makes this workhouse tick.

This book (for grades 6-10) about the future is not so futuristic as to be unbelievable. Actually it's very believable. It's good to see Matt mature from a middle-schooler who is used to getting anything he wants into a young man who is willing to sacrifice and work for the good of his family.

Reading this book (especially if you borrow it from the library) will help keep your spending in line much better than an afternoon at the movies. It will be much more enjoyable, too.

'Dancing For Tourism' Event In Norfolk April 9

NORFOLK, Neb. — The dancing for Tourism event will be held April 9 at the DeVent Center in Norfolk (snow date: April 10) doors opening at 1 p.m. with a dance workshop starting at 1:30 p.m. that are open to all ages.

At 3 p.m. there will be dance demos with area dance studios. The competitions kick off at 4:30 p.m. with the first Group Dance Competition followed by more dance demos from area dance studios. At 6 p.m. in the Country Dance Couples Competition at 7 p.m. is the second group competition and 7:30 p.m. is the Modern Dance Competition

followed by an area Country dance demo. First place in each of the four categories which consist of two group Dance categories, Modern Couples Dance and Country Couples Dance will be eligible to win \$300 to give back to the community event they are representing. Each of the dancers are dancing for a community event that supports and encourages tourism in Northeast Nebraska. Winners will be announced at 8:30. A dance from 9-1 by the OutBack Band will follow the day's events.

Dancers receive points for enthusiasm from the crowd and there is a People's

Choice Award chosen by the audience.

Tickets are available at several locations along the Shannon Trail in northeast Nebraska. Go to Outbackband.com for ticket location information and pictures of some of the competing dancers.

This event is sponsored by The Shannon Trail Promoters and the Dental Wellness Center of Norfolk. This year marks the 10th year anniversary for the Shannon Trail in Northeast Nebraska a tourism organization centered around the youngest member of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Private George Shannon.

2011 Miss Rodeo S.D. Pageant Seeks Contestants

BELLE FOURCHE — The Miss Rodeo South Dakota Board is seeking contestants for the 2011 Miss Rodeo South Dakota Pageant, where the 2012 Miss Rodeo South Dakota Lady-In-Waiting will be selected.

The competition will be held in Belle Fourche from June 29-July 2 in conjunction with the Black Hills Roundup.

This prestigious title will be awarded to a young lady who is at least 19 but will not turn 26 by Dec. 31, 2012. She must never have been married, pregnant, or convicted of a felony.

Contestants should exhibit high moral values and a full understanding of the sport of rodeo.

Many prizes await Miss

Rodeo South Dakota 2011 including: \$1,000 scholarship, custom made trophy belt buckle, trophy saddle, fur coat, custom made chaps, use of a Kiefer Built trailer, custom made hat, silver bracelet, spurs, jewelry, cosmetics and more.

For application information, contact the Miss Rodeo South Dakota pageant director Torey Berdan at 605-381-7568 or tberdan@dsdk12.net.

The Miss Rodeo South Dakota Pageant is also looking for sponsors. Those interested in providing full or partial sponsorships should contact Torey Berdan or Vicki Triggs at 605-431-4907.

'Maria Project' To Be Presented In Vermillion

VERMILLION — "The Maria Project" will be presented onstage at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion at 6:30 p.m. April 8.

"The Maria Project" is a groundbreaking solo theatre performance by Marcella Goheen that surprises, provokes and invites the audience to unleash their inherited secrets, while telling the story of a Spanish-American family's legacy around a family secret. This performance examines the reverberation of a family secret over three generations giving voice to Maria Salazar for the first time in 80 years.

This piece tells the story of

a lineage lost through family violence & triumphantly reclaims a family history that includes a journey through South Dakota.

To order tickets at brownpapertickets.com. Search for "The Maria Project," click on the drop-down box, then select available performance dates.

A portion of the ticket sales will benefit South Dakota Coalition Ending Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

For more information, contact Brenda Hill at brennda@sdcdvsa.org or visit www.themariaproject.com.

Senior Companion Spring Benefit Concert In S.F.

SIoux FALLS — Country music entertainer Howie Gamber will perform at a benefit concert for the Senior Companion Program at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 17, in the Jerstad Center on the Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan National Campus, 4800 West 57th Street, in Sioux Falls.

All benefits will go to support the Senior Companion Program, a non-profit organization that matches senior volunteers with seniors who need help with in-home assistance. Senior Companions provide assistance with daily activities, transportation and friendship with a goal of helping their clients remain independent in their own homes for as long as possible.

Refreshments and a raffle drawing featuring a handmade quilt will also be part of the afternoon. Concert tickets are available at the door.

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8:15 Pam Meylor

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Booths Open 4:30-7:00pm
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