

New At The Library

Here's what's new at the Yankton Community Library this week:

ADULT BOOKS

- **All I Love and Know** by Judith Frank; Fiction
- **Before, During, After** by Richard Bausch; Fiction
- **Big Little Lies** by Liane Moriarty; Fiction
- **Cutting Teeth** by Julia Fierro; Fiction
- **Everything I Never Told You** by Celeste Ng; Fiction
- **Hang Man** by Stephan Lally; Fiction
- **Haunted** by Randy Wayne White; Fiction
- **The Home Place** by Carrie La Seur; Fiction
- **Love Letters** by Terry Debbie Macomber; Fiction
- **A Man Called Ove** by Fredrik Backman; Fiction
- **Next Life Might Be Kinder** by Howard Norman; Fiction
- **One Plus One** by Jojo Moyes; Fiction
- **The 6th Extinction** by James Rollins; Fiction
- **If I Can't Have You** by Gregg Olsen & Rebecca Morris; Nonfiction
- **Yeah! Yeah! Yeah!** by Bob Stanley; Nonfiction
- **Yours for Eternity** by Damien Echols & Lorri Davis; Nonfiction

ADULT DVDS

- **Contraband**
- **Divergent**
- **The Other Woman**

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **Beyond Courage** by Doreen Rappaport; Nonfiction

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **Dance Divas: Two to Tango** by Sheryl Berk; Fiction
- **Island of Thieves** by Josh Lacey; Fiction
- **Buffalo Bird Girl** by S.D. Nelson; Nonfiction
- **Cowboys** by David L. Harrison; Nonfiction

EASY BOOKS

- **Being Frank** by Donna W. Earnhardt; Fiction
- **The Long, Long Journey** by Sandra Markle; Nonfiction

Studio Grand Opening Set For Saturday

The grand opening for Bicknell Studios, 120 W. Third St. in Yankton, will be held Saturday, Aug. 23, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The event will feature refreshments, live entertainment and drawings. This event is open to the public.

Centerville Arts Festival Is Sunday

CENTERVILLE — The Centerville Community Arts Council, Inc., is making plans for "Art in the Garden: A Celebration of the Arts in Centerville," which will be held on Sunday, Aug. 24, from 4-8 p.m. in downtown Centerville. (In case of rain, the celebration will be held in the Centerville School Gold Gym).

Organizers are planning on showcasing the many artistic talents in the Centerville area (such as painting, photography, music, crafts, quilting, sculpture, etc.) by setting up tables, easels and stages for two blocks on Broadway. Activities are being planned for children too.

Volunteers are needed to share their talents.

If you are interested in having a space to display or sell items, or if you are willing to demonstrate your art, contact Mary Ferwerda (563-2765), Deb Diercks (563-2780) or Vonni Knutson (563-2390). There is no fee for this event. You are asked to provide your own table and chair.

Music Bonanza Slated For Verdigre

VERDIGRE, Neb. — Music Bonanza 2014 will take place on Aug. 24, Sept. 28 and Oct. 26 at ZCJB Hall in Verdigre, Nebraska, starting at 1 p.m. There will be ethnic music, polkas, waltzes and fox trots. Goodwill admissions are accepted.

On Oct. 26, there will be a Czech meal with traditional folk music from Chodsko, Czech Republic.

For more information, contact Leroy Hollmann at 402-668-2277 or leroy@gpcom.net.

Bluegrass Festival In LeMars Aug. 25-31

LEMARS, Iowa — The 39th annual National Old-Time Country and Bluegrass Festival and Contest will be held Aug. 25-31 in LeMars, Iowa.

There will be more than 650 performers on 10 stages during the festival.

Also, there will be arts & crafts, Tipi Village, dances, jamming, contest and great food.

For more information, call Bob Everhart at 712-762-4363 or go online at www.ntcma.net.

Children's Choir Auditions Tuesday

This is the last call for auditions set for the 2014-15 season of the Yankton Children's Choir, Ensemble-In-Residence at Mount Marty College. Auditions will be held Tuesday, Aug. 26, from 6-7:30 p.m., at Mount Marty College in Bede Hall Room 127 (Bistro Second Stage).

Auditions will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Auditions take 15 minutes or less.

Auditions are open to all children in grades 3-8 during the 2014-2015 school year and may be attending any school in the Yankton area. Singers must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Singers will be asked to sing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and "Row, Row, Row Your Boat."

Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings starting in September and continue weekly through May. Tuition is charged for participation in the choir. A limited number of scholarships are available for those who need it.

For further information, contact Executive Director Dot Stoll at 605-660-1819 or dotster700@hotmail.com/.

Pork Butt Battle, Chili Challenge At Fair

HURON — Free events at the 2014 South Dakota State Fair will include the Pork Butt Battle sponsored by SD Pork Producers, Advanced BioEnergy and 1st Financial Bank USA, as well as Jack's Campers Chili Challenge.

The Pork Butt Battle is new to the State Fair this year. Competitors will square off to see whose pork butt will come out on top. The event is sure to feature some of the best pork around.

Visitors to the fair are welcome to attend the People's Choice Tasting at 3 p.m. CDT on Friday, Aug. 29, at Horticulture Park. Visitors can taste each competitor's final product and vote for their favorite. If you think your pork butt is up to the challenge, rules and entry forms can be found on the South Dakota State Fair website under the Special Events section.

Jack's Campers Chili Challenge has made its home at the State Fair for many years. Participants from all over come to compete for the title of Best Chili. People's Choice Judging is again free to the public and will start at 1 p.m. CDT on Friday, Aug. 29. Rules and entry forms for the challenge can be found on the SD State Fair website under the Special Events section.

First through third places and the people's choice winner in each contest will take home cash prizes.

The 2014 South Dakota State Fair will run from Thursday, Aug. 28, through Monday, Sept. 1.

Herndon To Perform At WJ Ranch

FORDYCE, Neb. — WJ Ranch has announced that its 11th annual concert event will feature country music star Ty Herndon on Saturday, Sept. 6. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Herndon will be performing many of his multiple No. 1 and top 10 hits, including "What Mattered Most" and "Living in a Moment."

Opening for this great show will be fiddler/musician Jackson Lawrence (who was with John Berry at last year's show.)

Tickets now available at www.schiferlawranch.com or by calling (402) 357-2102. WJ Ranch is located 7 miles south of Yankton.

The Bookworm

'Casey' Is For Canine Lovers

"Travels with Casey" by Benoit Denizet-Lewis; © 2014, Simon & Schuster; 341 pages

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

You are your dog's only pack. And the pack is happy.

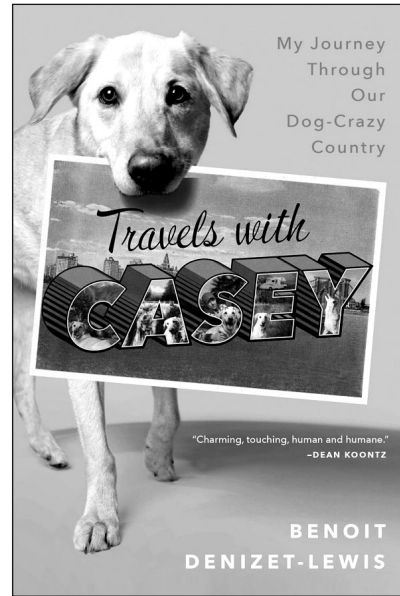
A trip to the corner store started it all: you said "Go for a ride?" and he nearly exploded. That's his favorite thing, which makes it your favorite thing and right then, you weren't sure which moved faster — your vehicle, or his tail.

Yep, your dog loves going places. And in the new book "Travels with Casey" by Benoit Denizet-Lewis, it's the trip of two lifetimes.

Does my dog love me? That's a question that drove Benoit Denizet-Lewis to therapy. His good-natured Lab-Golden cross, Casey, didn't seem happy and Denizet-Lewis wondered if maybe Casey would rather have a "different human." It was silly, maybe, but a decision was needed quickly: Denizet-Lewis wanted to write a book, and he'd planned a cross-country, fact-finding, dog-loving RV trip — with Casey included, he hoped.

Inspired by John Steinbeck's travel-with-a-dog tale, Denizet-Lewis says "I wanted to write a different kind of dog book. I planned to travel across America ... and hang out with as many dogs (and dog-obsessed humans) as I could."

With a launching point near Boston, Denizet-Lewis coaxed Casey into a gas-



guzzling RV and headed to a dog park, then to visit a Massachusetts pet photographer. In Connecticut, he and Casey — who initially hated the RV — contributed efforts to a long-time search for a lost Corgi.

In New York City, which didn't have a pooper-scooper law until 1978, Denizet-Lewis spent a day at a dog run where snarling and fighting were common among the humans. He visited Westminster; the owner of the latest Georgia Bulldog mascot; and the founder of PETA. He petted wolf-dogs, learned about an invisible dog in Savan-

nah, witnessed the proceedings at a high-kill shelter and watched dock-jumping competitors. He and Casey did dog in Florida, where Denizet-Lewis fell in love with a new man. They met a cynophobe, consulted a pet psychic and added a new member to their family in Arizona.

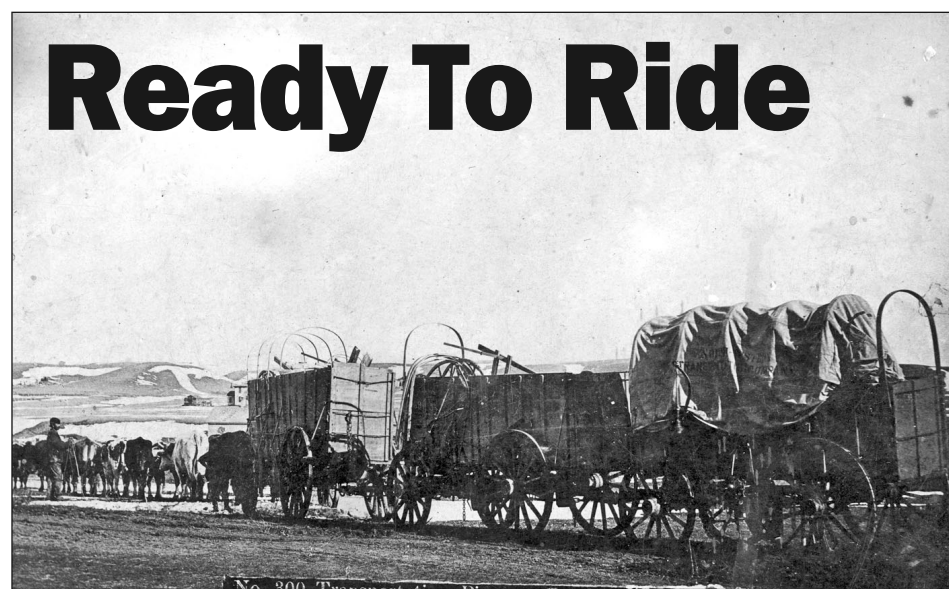
And "somewhere around Texas," the question of dogs and love was answered ...

Why do we adore dogs so? You could answer blithely, but the real reasons are quite deep — and you'll find plenty of them inside "Travels with Casey."

Making a great big country-wide loop, dog lovers will drool over this (almost) golden reading: we're introduced to canine worlds populated mostly by aficionados, offered literary kibble about dogs, and we learn something about ourselves — all wrapped up in a delightful romp with a man and his pup.

The "almost" comes, believe it or not, with ads. Author Benoit Denizet-Lewis admits that he received product support for his trip with Casey and to that end, he gives dozens of shout-outs to manufacturers and corporations. I suppose that's the way to fund a book like this, but it got to be too much.

Still, I couldn't have resisted this book if I tried, and I think dog lovers will feel the same. If that's you, and you love reading in bed, in the car, on vacation, wherever, "Travels with Casey" is the book to pack.



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Ready To Ride

Anniversary Wagon Train Is A 17-Day Trip Into History

The 125th Statehood Anniversary Wagon Train is an opportunity to participate in and learn about South Dakota history.

The wagon train will begin at the Dakota Territorial capital of Yankton on Wednesday, Sept. 3 and will arrive at the South Dakota capital of Pierre on Saturday, Sept. 20. At each evening stop along the approximately 250-mile trip, local landowners and historians will present a history of that local area. Community and civic groups will be sponsoring many of the evening meals and events, so people can see the wagon train up close and visit with wagon train participants. The wagon train is sponsored by the South Dakota Draft Horse and Mule Association.

The route of the wagon train route is intended to commemorate historic trails. The route from Yankton to Mitchell will be near what was called the Fort James Trail, according to wagon master Gerald Kessler of Fort Pierre. Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites, Fort James was located near what is now Mitchell. The fort was probably named for the nearby James River. It was one of a series of forts built to protect settlers after the Dakota War of 1862, according to the television show "Time Team America," in which a group of archaeologists spent three days excavating the Fort James site. The fort was built in 1865 by the 6th Iowa Volunteer Cavalry. The men signed up to help fight in the Civil War, but instead found themselves sent to the western frontier. For the American Indians who lived in the area, it must have seemed like the cavalry was riding in to take over more of their land.

What makes Fort James unique was that it was built of stone. Fort James is believed to be the only military post in the United States built entirely of stone. A natural outcropping of quartzite granite was located nearby. Fort James was decommissioned after 11 months and burned to the ground in 1868.

When Firesteel came into existence in 1874, the Fort James Trail was extended to that community in Davison County. From Firesteel, trails would have followed Firesteel Creek much of the way to Fort Thompson and then continued on from Fort Thompson to Fort Pierre, or followed a more direct overland route to Fort Pierre, according to Kessler.

The trails would have been used primarily for hauling freight until white people started settling the area, Kessler said, with oxen used to haul the freight wagons.

According to "Fort Pierre-Deadwood Trail: Then & Now" by James D. Osburn, Ken R. Stewart and Lonis R. Wendt, a freight team usually consisted of seven or eight yoke of oxen hitched to an old Murphy or Kern wagon. The load carried in the wagons generally weighed from 7,500 to 8,000 pounds.

The freight wagons were sturdy, wide-tracked, double-boxed vehicles with heavy iron tires and heavy canvas covers.

"What's real neat about South Dakota is our history is still not so old that we cannot find tracks from wagons or tepee rings," Kessler said. "We found ruts north and west of Gann Valley when laying out the trail."

The 17-day trip includes 15 days of travel and two days of rest.

After camping overnight in Yankton on Wednesday, Sept. 3, the 125th anniversary

wagon train will leave Yankton on Thursday, Sept. 4. The route will pass within about 10 miles of Fort James, but will not stop there. Overnight stops are scheduled for Tabor, Scotland, Tripp and Ethan, Mitchell, Plankinton, Wessington Springs, Crow Lake, Gann Valley, the Allen Knippling ranch, near Mac's Corner and by Krull Lodge. The wagon train will camp at Farm Island Recreation Area near Pierre on Friday, Sept. 19 and is scheduled to arrive at the Capitol building in Pierre at noon on Saturday, Sept. 20.

For the first part of the wagon train, the route will be mostly on township and county roads, in road ditches and along undeveloped section lines. Once the wagon train reaches the Wessington Springs area, participants will travel cross-country or in road ditches near S.D. Highway 34.

Kessler said he anticipates that more than 200 people will participate when the wagon train leaves Yankton. About 120 people from eight states have signed up to be take part in the ride. They are allowed to participate in any or all of the trail segments, so Kessler expects the number participating will vary throughout the ride.

For more information, contact Kessler at (605) 223-2313 or visit www.125.sd.gov

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B&G Club Benefit Saturday

Yankton can help support the Boys & Girls Club of Yankton on Aug. 23 with a fun night of live music, casino games, craft beer tasting and more. Money raised from this event will help support both the Traditional and Academy Units of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Yankton.

This year marks the second annual Rhythm & Brews fundraiser for the club. The night will feature entertainment from the Bridge City Jazz Quintet, a variety of casino games such as Roulette, Texas Hold'em, Blackjack and Bingo, craft beer tasting provided by John A. Conkling Distributing and Dakota Beverage, as well as a silent and live auction items and hors d'oeuvres.

"We're excited to be hosting our second annual Rhythm & Brews event," said Steph Paluch, development coordinator. "We are looking forward to another great year of entertainment but most of all celebrating the Boys & Girls Club! We serve more than 154 youth a day and have 654 members in our program and the Boys & Girls Club wouldn't be possible without the support of the community, individuals and businesses in Yankton."

The event will be hosted at Minerva's from 7-10 p.m. General admission tickets and VIP tickets are available. VIP tickets are limited in quantity and include a five-course meal paired with specialty brews.

Tickets can be purchased at the following locations: Boys & Girls Club Academy Traditional sites, both First Dakota National Bank locations, Czeckers and Minerva's Bar & Grill, call 605-668-9710 or online at www.greatfuture.sdsd.org.

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For information on the event or tickets, contact Paluch at 605-692-3333.

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