

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **Alert** by James Patterson & Michael Ledwidge; Fiction
- **The Ambassador's Wife** by Jennifer Steil; Fiction
- **And Sometimes I Wonder About You** by Walter Mosley; Fiction
- **Aurora** by Kim Stanley Robinson; Fiction
- **Brush Back** by Sara Paretsky; Fiction
- **The Bourbon Kings** by J. R. Ward; Fiction
- **Circling the Sun** by Paula McLain; Fiction
- **Coming of Age at the End of Days** by Alice LaPlante; Fiction
- **Crooked** by Austin Grossman; Fiction
- **The Dog Master** by W. Bruce Cameron; Fiction
- **Dragonbane** by Sherrilyn Kenyon; Fiction
- **How to Be a Grown-Up** by McLaughlin & Kraus; Fiction
- **If I Could Turn Back Time** by Beth Harbison; Fiction
- **Kitchens of the Great Midwest** by J. Ryan Stradal; Fiction
- **A Paris Affair** by Tatiana De Rosnay; Fiction
- **Pretty Baby** by Mary Kubica; Fiction
- **Hot Knots** by Kat Hartmann; Nonfiction
- **How To Start a Home-Based Event Planning Business** by Jill S. Moran, SCEP; Nonfiction
- **1920** by Eric Burns; Nonfiction
- **The Organic Artist** by Nick Neddo; Nonfiction
- **Trials of Passion** by Lisa Appignanesi; Nonfiction
- **The Waste Not, Want Not Cookbook** by Cinda Chavich; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **All the Single Ladies** by Dorothea Benton Frank; Fiction
- **Badlands** by C. J. Box; Fiction
- **The Bourbon Kings** by J. R. Ward; Fiction
- **Brush Back** by Sara Paretsky; Fiction
- **Jurassic Park** by Michael Crichton; Fiction
- **Perfect Touch** by Elizabeth Lowell; Fiction

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **Don't Look Back** by Jennifer L. Armentrout; Fiction
- **Saint Anything** by Sarah Dessen; Fiction
- **What You Left Behind** by Jessica Verdi; Fiction

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **The Dragon Lantern** by Alan Gratz; Fiction
- **My Brother is a Superhero** by David Solomons; Fiction

EASY BOOKS

- **The Moon Is Going to Addy's House** by Ida Pearl; Fiction

Did you know that you can reserve an item from home? Staff will then notify you as soon as the item is available.

The Bookworm ... For Kids

Your Child Will Love This 'School'

"Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" by Richard Torrey; © 2015, Sterling Children's Books. 32 pages

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

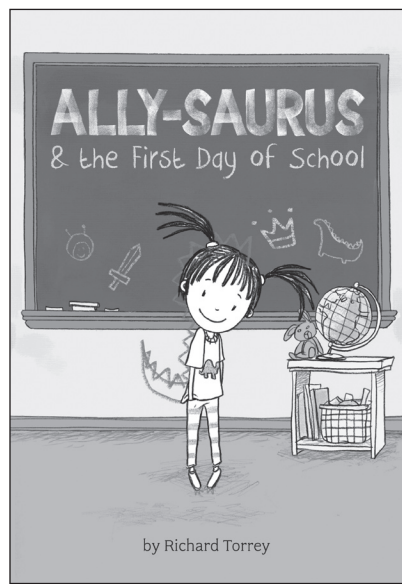
On your first day of school, you become a First Grader.

That's a big step because you also become a scholar, a learner. You'll be someone who gets good grades and someone who likes recess. You'll be a kid who makes your family proud. But what if you just wanted to be a plain old kid... who's part dinosaur? In the new book "Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" by Richard Torrey, you'll see what could happen.

Though it may have looked like Ally's mother was waking a little girl up and helping her out of bed on the first day of school, that wasn't the case at all. What looked like a girl was really an Ally-Saurus, a fierce and dangerous dinosaur.

Minutes after rising, Ally-Saurus took off her dino jammies and put on her new dinosaur shirt and striped pants - backwards. That was so her "dinosaur tail can stick out," she told Father. He made her put her clothes on the correct way, which made Ally-Saurus ROAR before she ate her breakfast with "fierce teeth."

Would there be other dinosaurs in school? Mother wasn't sure about that, but she thought there might be a



by Richard Torrey

chance to make friends - and the first friend Ally-Saurus made was her new teacher, Mrs. Woolhandler.

But the other kids...? They were a little tougher. The whole class made nametags for their cubies but Ally-Saurus was the only one who made a nametag in the shape of a dinosaur. Mrs. W taught the class about the weather but when Ally-Saurus said a cloud looked like a dinosaur, someone else saw something else. Ally-Saurus thought everybody liked dinosaurs but it turned out that a lot of girls liked

princesses better.

They liked princesses so much that they wouldn't let an Ally-Saurus sit with them, so she had to sit by herself at an empty table in the lunchroom. If only she could be at home with her dinosaur toys. At least they'd eat lunch with her. Would a fierce Ally-Saurus ever be able to find friends at school?

Remember your first day of school? It was a pretty big day and no matter how much Mom prepared you for it, you were probably still a little nervous. If your child is facing the same jitters before class starts, then you need "Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" in your home.

It's easy to fall in love with Ally-Saurus. From the jaunty ponytails and the self-assured smile, to the pink dinosaur scales across her head and down, she makes kids (and parents) smile. What I liked absolutely best, though, was the way that author Richard Torrey depicts a child's pretend-world. Ally-Saurus's dino-personality is clear to her and, eventually, it's clear to everyone who's able to become someone (or something) much more fun.

This book is a delight and I think your 4-to-7-year-old will love it. For children with good imaginations or for any kid heading to class this fall, "Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" will make them roar.

Vermillion Theatre To Present 'Mary Poppins' Aug. 21-24

Vermillion Community Theatre presents Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's great Broadway hit, "Mary Poppins", on August 21-24 at the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. The show has it all of the magic of the books of P.L. Travers and the Walt Disney film featuring such lively tunes as "Jolly Holiday", "Spoonful of Sugar" and "Chim Chimney". This production stars Gretchen Burbach in the title role and Matt Nesmith as Bert. Other leads are played by Kenneth Tice of Yankton as Mr. Banks and Mecia Graham as Mrs. Banks. Ella Wittmuss plays Jane and Matthew Giorgio of Elk Point plays Michael. They are supported by a cast of nearly 70 actors of all ages.

The director for this production

is Callie Hisek who directed "Oliver!" last summer, with music direction by Anthony Burbach. Choreography is by Kathryn Rose Reimler of Yankton. There is a huge crew of builders, painters and costumers that help bring this production to life.

Performances are Friday, August 21 at 7:30, Saturday, August 22 at 7:30, Sunday, August 23 at 2:30 and Monday, August 24 at 7:30. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for K-12 students. Children 5 and under are admitted at no charge. Tickets are on sale at the Nook 'n Cranny, Davis Pharmacy and at the door. "Will Call" tickets may be reserved at the Nook 'n Cranny at 605.624.4611 and paid for at the door. All seats are general admission. The

doors open an hour before the performance and the theatre opens 30 mins before curtain.

"Mary Poppins" was released for performance by local groups last fall. VCT is the first in the region to bring this great show to the stage. This has been made possible by the generous support of many patrons and sponsors. Spotlight sponsors for this production are the Vermillion HyVee, the Vermillion Community Foundation and the South Dakota Arts Council. Ovation sponsors are First Bank and Trust, First Dakota National Bank, Bank of the West and RED Steakhouse. The VCT website provides updated information about all productions: vermillioncommunitytheatre.org.

AREA DIGEST

Children's Choir Auditions Aug. 25, Sept. 1

Yankton Children's Choir Auditions are scheduled for Tuesday, August 25, 2015 and Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Two nights of auditions set for the 2015-16 Season of the Yankton Children's Choir, Ensemble-In-Residence at Mount Marty College! Auditions will be held Tuesday, August 25, 2015 from 6:00-7:00 and Tuesday, September 1, 2015 from 6:00-7:00 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 2015-2016 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 "Happy Birthday" and "Row, Row, Row Your Boat."

Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings, which begin on September 8, 2015 and continue weekly through May. Tuition is charged for participation in the choir. A limited number of scholarships are available.

For further information please contact executive director Dot Stoll at 605-660-1819 or dotster700@hotmail.com

Yarn Donations For ASH Patient Shawls Being Accepted

Yarn donations that will be used to make Avera Sacred Heart patient and long-term care resident shawls are being accepted at several Yankton locations.

Donation locations are the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital information desk, Four Seasons Fabric and Ewe Knit It.

Since November 2009, inmates at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp have crocheted hundreds of shawls and lap blankets for patients and long-term care residents of Avera Sacred Heart.

Pastoral Care employees distribute the shawls and lap blankets with the following saying: "May God's grace be upon this shawl, warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven, a sacred place of security and well-being, sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace and wrapped in love."

If you have questions about the program, contact Carla Hummel, director of Volunteer Services for Avera Sacred Heart, at (605) 668-8104.

Schrag To Speak At Majestic Bluffs

Life in a small town has its unique charms, and Phyllis Schrag will explore them during her entertaining presentation, "Baseball, Preachers and Funerals." Schrag, independent scholar from Sioux Falls, will speak at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, in the Gathering Place at Avera Majestic Bluffs.

"Baseball, Preachers and Funerals" is a presentation in a storytelling format and provides a humorous yet poignant look at small-town life. Its setting is a place where all the town kids were needed to have their own "World Series," preachers had an impact on children's development, and funerals were simply a part of life. Lessons gleaned from baseball, preachers and funerals present a child's perspective of life in a small town.

The presentation is free and open to the public.

This program at Avera Majestic Bluffs was made possible by the South Dakota Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

RC Family Connections Fun Day Aug. 29

River City Family Connections is hosting its third annual Family Fun Day at Memorial Park in Yankton on Saturday, Aug. 29, starting at noon. This is a free event for all families in the community.

There will be free lunch, games and prizes, inflatables, and arts and crafts. The event celebrates the importance of healthy family relationships.

For more information, call (605) 665-1204 or email fvc@midconetwork.com/.

S.D. State Fair To Host Build A Bird Contest

HURON — The South Dakota State Fair will host its first ever Build A Bird contest at this year's fair and we want you to participate. Sponsored by the South Dakota Poultry Industries Association, competitors will test their creative talents utilizing any materials to create a poultry or fowl exhibit in the contest.

The exhibits will be on display in the Poultry Barn for the length of the fair. Judging categories include Most Creative and Most Life-like and will be broken down to ages 17 and younger and ages 18 and older. A \$100

prize will be awarded to the top winner in each category, with a \$50 prize for second place. Entries will be judged on Friday, Sept. 4, and must preregister prior to Aug. 29. Registration forms can be found at <http://www.sdstatefair.com/special-events/all/build-a-bird>.

In lieu of recent Avian Flu outbreaks across the Midwest, the live poultry shows have been suspended at the South Dakota State Fair. No live animals will be allowed.

Live poultry may be absent from the 2015 South Dakota State Fair, but the

Poultry barn will still host plenty of events throughout the fair including several presentations on poultry health, updates on the Avian Flu, Ag Heritage Museum old time poultry exhibit and a lunch sponsored by Dakota Provisions.

Monday, Sept. 7, is Poultry Party Day: Poultry Education at the State Fair and will feature a "Calling all Redheads" contest at the NorthWestern Energy Freedom Stage. The closest red-haired person to match the color of a Rhode Island Red Chicken will win a prize sponsored by the South

Dakota Poultry Fanciers Association. Other fun activities include a "Something to Crow About: Bird Calling Contest" and "State's Largest Chicken Dance."

The 2015 South Dakota State Fair will run from Thursday, Sept. 3, through Monday, Sept. 7. Channel Seeds preview night will be Wednesday, Sept. 2. This year's theme is "Sew it. Grow it. Show it." For more information on State Fair events, contact the Fair office at 800-529-0900, visit www.sdstatefair.com or find them on Facebook or Twitter.

S.D. State Fair To Host Three Food Competitions

HURON - The South Dakota State Fair will host three separate food competitions at the 2015 State Fair: Jack's Campers Chili Challenge, the Pork Butt Battle and the Greater Midwest Foodways Alliance Heirloom Recipe Contest.

Jack's Campers Chili Challenge takes place Friday, Sept. 4 at Horticulture Park. Registrations are now being taken! Participants from all over come to compete for the title of best chili.

Cooking begins at 8 a.m. with the People's Choice Tasting and judging beginning at 1 p.m. The first place team will receive \$225, with \$150 going to 2nd place and \$75 for 3rd place. People's Choice winner will receive \$50.

The Pork Butt Battle, sponsored by South Dakota Pork Producers and Advanced BioEnergy, will also take place Friday, Sept. 4. Competitors square off to see whose pork butt will come out on top. Cooking begins at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3 and competitors will cook through the night and the following morning to be prepared for People's Choice Tasting and judging at 3 p.m. on Friday. Top prize is \$500, with \$225 for 2nd place and \$125 for 3rd place. People's Choice Winner will receive \$100. All winners will receive a trophy. The Greater Midwest

Foodways Alliance Heirloom Recipe Contest takes place Sunday, Sept. 6, in the Women's Building Kitchen. The 2015 theme is "Family Favorites Never Served to Guests." The Family Heirloom Recipe competition seeks the state's best made from scratch heirloom recipe of a family favorite never served to guests; can be a reuse of leftovers, something cobbled together on a busy night or just anything you can think of. Recipes must be from prior to 1950. Entrants will be judged based on history, the prepared recipe, and display and appearance. First place winner will receive \$150, with \$100 going to 2nd place, and \$50 to 3rd place.

This is the year to test out your cooking skills at the South Dakota State Fair! Rules and entry forms for all three challenges can be found on the SD State Fair website, www.sdstatefair.com, under the Special Events section.

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Artist Application Deadline Coming Sept. 1

PIERRE — Artists are reminded that the deadline to apply to the South Dakota Arts Council's Artists in Schools and Communities (AISC) and Touring Arts programs is Sept. 1.

The Artists in Schools and Communities program provides intensive, hands-on training in all arts disciplines to students of all ages across the state by providing funds to schools and nonprofit organizations that bring in groups and individuals for week-long artist residencies. The artists are responsible for developing their residency lesson plans. Residencies are coordinated through the South Dakota Arts Council office as part of the Arts in Education program.

The SDAC's Touring Arts roster provides quality arts experiences in all regions of the state through a matching grant program for performances, programs and exhibits. Nonprofit organizations

work directly with the artists available for booking during the two-year touring period.

Artists interested in applying for the Artists in Schools and Communities or Touring Arts programs must apply online through the SDAC's e-grants system. Hard copies of the applications will not be accepted.

For complete programming information and links to the e-grants system, visit www.artscouncil.sd.gov/grants/aicartist.aspx for teaching artists or www.artscouncil.sd.gov/grants/taartist.aspx for touring artists.

An office of the South Dakota Department of Tourism, the South Dakota Arts Council's mission is to provide grants and services to artists, arts organizations and schools across the state, with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the South Dakota Legislature.

'Her Voice' Seeks Recipe Submissions

Do you have a tried and true recipe you'd like to share with others? "Her Voice" magazine is currently accepting recipe submissions to be included in future issues.

Send your recipes to Tera Schmidt via e-mail at tera.schmidt@yankton.net or mail to 319 Walnut Street, Yankton, SD 57078. Please include your name, address and contact number with all submissions.

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