### **New At The Library**

river city

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

### **ADULT BOOKS**

- Bad Glass by Richard E. Gropp; Fiction
- Cloud Atlas by David Mitchell; Fiction
- Cold Days by Jim Butcher; Fiction
- The Corpse of St. James's by Jeanne M. Dams; Fiction Dancing on Broken Glass by Ka Hancock; Fiction
- The Legend of Broken by Caleb Carr; Fiction
- Private London by James Patterson & Mark Pearson; Fiction
  Wild Girls by Mary Stewart Atwell; Fiction
- The Finish by Mark Bowden; Nonfiction
- Heads in Beds by Jacob Tomsky; Nonfiction
- The Last Lion by Manchester & Reid; Nonfiction
- To Heaven and Back by Mary C. Neal, M.D.; Nonfiction
- Too Good to be True by Benjamin Anastas; Nonfiction

#### **ADULT AUDIO BOOKS**

• And When She Was Good by Laura Lippman; Fiction

• Zoo by Patterson & Ledwidge; Fiction

### **YOUNG ADULT BOOKS**

• The Storyteller by Antonia Michaels; Fiction

### JUNIOR BOOKS

• Hunter Moran Saves the Universe by Patricia Reilly Giff; Fiction

- Lulu Walks the Dogs by Judith Viorst; Fiction
- Return to the Willows by Jacqueline Kelly; Fiction
- Twelve Kinds of Ice by Ellen Bryan Obed; Fiction
- When You Wish Upon a Rat by Maureen McCarthy; Fiction
- Animals Welcome by Peg Kehret; Nonfiction
- Go Crazy with Duct Tape by Patti Wallenfang; Nonfiction
- Ripley's Believe It or Not 2013; Nonfiction

### EASY BOOKS

• Sweet Baby Feet by Margaret O'Hair; Fiction

### **FAMILY DVDS**

- Dino Dan: 'Twas a Dinosaur
- Santa Paws 2: The Santa Pups

### 'Friday Night Opry' Tonight In Kaylor

KAYLOR — The Friday Night Opry will once again be held at the SoDak Stamm Heritage Hall on north Main Street in Kaylor at 7 p.m. tonight (Friday). The program of old time country and gospel music is open to the public at no charge.

Local musicians from a 60-mile radius of Kaylor will be perform-ing. Organizers are asking that this program have a Christmas flavor.

If you would like to be on the program, you should contact organizer Dan Flyger at 605-212-9011.

'We seek to have old fashioned, wholesome entertainment for the whole family," Flyger quotes.

Refreshments will be served for a freewill donation. This will be the last opry for the winter season.

### **CookieWalk At Dakota Theatre Today**

Tasty, decorative homemade holiday cookies and treats will be for sale today (Friday) in the lobby of the Dakota Theatre at 328 Walnut St.

The Holiday CookieWalk will raise funds for Yankton's River-Walk project, which places sculptures in the downtown area. This year's goal is to raise enough money to purchase an additional granite pedestal for the sculptures.

Some of Yankton's best cookie-makers donate the holiday treats, which sell by the pound. The cookies will be for sale from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., but many varieties were sold by noon last year so come early.

RiverWalk is beginning its fourth year in Yankton. The non-profit group's mission is to enhance the community's appearance and culture by featuring great outdoor art in the downtown district.

Selected sculptures are displayed on downtown streets and in Riverside Park for one year. Current sculptures will be replaced in May 2013.

### **Bob Karolevitz Program At Museum Today**

Yankton College Executive Director Jan Garrity, and her mother.

# **Art Forms YAA Enlivens Your Holiday Senses During December**

#### **BY JACKIE QUINN** Yankton Area Arts

In this point-and-click world, there is still something to be said and appreciated about a hands-on holiday shopping experience-one in which a person deliberately and thoughtfully browses with all of his/her tactile senses, touching, smelling, tasting, hearing, looking to find that "just right" thing for that special someone. And just knowing that the artist who creatively rendered the piece so carefully chosen has also skillfully engaged his/her senses in the process, somehow adds a glorious dimension to the gift shopping and giving. At the Yankton Area Art's sev-

enth annual Crimson Door Holiday Show, one can find just this type of holiday shopping experience. From now until Dec. 28, the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery will be bursting with uniquely handcrafted items from the following categories: framed art; silver, leather, and beaded jewelry; silk and woolen textiles; holiday décor, ornaments, and cards; books and CDs; glass, wood, pottery, and clay sculpture; food items; candles, calendars, and stationery products. There is virtually something for everyone at reasonable price points.

Hailing from five different states, the following are the 36 featured artists in this year's holiday show: DeeRonda Anderson, Jean Barr, Dan Bartos, Jane Bobzin, Kim Boeckman, Ben Brunick, Loren Clarke, Dick Cuddihy, Sharon Ehrhart, Clark Eide, Donna Ellis, Kari Elrod, Ray Flower, Cindy Folsland, Elaine Harty, Roger Huntley, Lucy Iburg, Eric Kolda, Walt Koziol, Marilyn Kratz, Earlene Larson, Pam Meylor, Jane Miller, Mike Miller, Pam Nelson, Cheryl Peterson-Halsey, Suzanne Preszler, Jackie Quinn, Mary Roper, Gary Sauter, Cyndi Scott, Maureen Sorensen, South Dakota Magazine, Jolene Steffen, Ann Taecher and Charleen Ward.

A collection like this truly creates



The Crimson Door Show is currently under way at the GAR Hall Gallery in Yankton Hours are 1-5 p.m. weekdays and 1-4 p.m. weekends.

a win-win plus atmosphere: the giver effortlessly secures a one-of-a-kind gift; the receiver adores the gift and undoubtedly the thoughtful giver; area artists are celebrated and supported; YAA programming is bolstered; arts and culture thrive in the Yankton community. That's holiday harmony at its finest!

Crimson Door shopping hours are: Monday-Friday 1-5 p.m. and Sat-urday-Sunday 1-4 p.m. A special Crimson Door First Friday event will be held today (Friday) from noon to

Further enliven your senses this holiday season at this year's 15th annual Christmas Concert performed by the Yankton Area Summer Band. Under the direction of Kevin McLouth, band director at Bon Homme Public Schools, the concert will be held on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 4 p.m. in the theater of the Summit Activities Center, 1801 Summit, Yankcookies will follow the program. The concert is open and free to the public and is sponsored by Yankton Area Arts, Yankton Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Services Center Federal Credit Union.

For more festive details and additional YAA event information, be sure to visit

www.YanktonAreaArts.org. And of course to enliven your senses yearround, be sure to become a Yankton Area Arts member and experience the rich array of area arts offerings.

Yankton Area Arts is a non-profit organization with a mission to educate, advocate, and enrich Yankton by integrating the arts within the community. The G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery and Yankton Area Arts office are located at 508 Douglas Avenue in Yankton. The gallery is open to the public free of charge from 1-5 p.m. weekdays and from 1-3 p.m. on Sat-urdays. For more information, call the YAA office phone at (605) 665-9754 or email Executive Director Jackie Quinn at yaa@iw.net.

### **Yankton Set** For 'Acoustic **Christmas'**

After a four-year hiatus, A South Dakota Acoustic Christmas will return this holiday season to perform in Yankton at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 20

The original group members will bring back some of the best-loved songs from the 19 years they performed for South Dakota audiences,

as well as offer new holiday sounds. Renowned national guitarist and



# **'Driving' Offers A** Unique Journey

*"Driving the Saudis" by Jayne Amelia Larson, © 2012, Free* Press, 209 pages

### **BY TERI SCHLICHENMEYER**

Other drivers should know better.

First of all, they should learn to use a turn signal. Then they need to be taught to stop tailgating, hang up the phone, slow down, speed up, or just get out of the way.

Grrrrrr.

Other drivers should learn that they're not the most important person on the road. Or maybe they are, as you'll see in the new book "Driving the Saudis" by Jayne



(Photo by Amelia Larson. Amy J.) Hollywood did not love

Jayne Amelia Larson as much as she loved it.

That was the blunt truth. For more than 10 years, through many movie-making endeavors with a few small successes, Larson finally had to admit that the time had come for her to find a job to pay the bills.

Chauffeuring, she heard, was fun and interesting, so she applied for a position at "an exclusive high-end limo company" that catered to film stars, rock bands, and elite studio execs. It was interesting ... and then came the Saudis.

The screening process to become a royal driver was odd and the timeline changed often. Several times. Larson thought the



ton. A reception with cider and

7 p.m. with food and drink, draw-

# ings, and special discounts for all throughout the day.

Phyllis Karolevitz, will present the Brown Bag Lunch Program at the Dakota Territorial Museum entitled "Bob Karolevitz in Retrospect," at noon on Friday, Dec. 7.

The program will offer a different perspective from Jan on her father and Phyllis on her husband during his writing career, which included 37 books, countless magazine articles and newspaper columns. Bob loved to make fun of himself and was known for his great sense of humor.

In the last 20 years, Karolevitz penned two books for Yankton College: "They Always Called Him Coach: A Biography of Carl I. Youngworth" in 1993 and "Yankton College: The Continuing Story" in 2003. They are available at the Yankton College office at 1801 Summit St., Door #9, open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. For further information, call (605) 665-3661.

### Candlelight Concert At Yankton's UCC Sunday

The 40-voice adult choir of the United Church of Christ (Congregational), Yankton, will present its Christmas Candlelight Concert at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the church, located at Fifth and Walnut.

The choir is under the direction of Jennifer Powell. Accompaniment will feature Ted Powell on the organ, plus a brass quintet and oboe. A special guest appearance by the ensemble "Mirabile" is also scheduled.

The setting in the 100-year old church decorated for the holiday will add to the familiar music presented.

### Irene Tour Of Homes Slated Sunday

IRENE — The 2012 Irene Tour of Homes will be held on Sunday, Dec. 9, running from 4-8 p.m.

The following homeowners have graciously agreed to open their homes for the event: John and Lauren Thompson, Simon and Amanda Healy, Justin and Tonya Rudd, and Hope Stadin.

The Irene Tour of Homes is coordinated by the Irene Community Club. Proceeds will be used to fund youth activities for the Irene community and all kids in the Irene–Wakonda school district.

Tickets will be sold at Torgy's Fitness Center on Main Street Irene beginning at 4 p.m. on Dec. 9. The tour and "treats" at each location.

### Cramer-Kenyon Holiday Open House Slated

Cramer-Kenyon Historic Home will once again offer its Holiday Open House Dec. 14-16. The home is located at 509 Pine St. in Yankton. The hours are 5-7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 14, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 15-16.

This year Event and Decorations Chair Ruby Goeden announces that Frosty the Snowman will be in residence in the parlors and dining room to lend a festive welcoming presence. All "Frosties" which will be seen are vintage and some are one-of-a-kind.

The Board of Directors announced that "as our gift to the community there will be no admission fee to the Eastlake Stick Style historic home this year, although a free will offering will be gratefully accepted".

The home is now handicap accessible with the addition of a lift at the rear entrance.

### Wynonna To Perform At Grand Falls Casino

LARCHWOOD, Iowa — Wynonna, a five-time GRAMMY winner, will present "Wynonna's Rockin' Christmas" at Grand Falls Casino Resort in Larchwood, Iowa, Dec. 15. Showtime is 9 p.m.

Tickets are on sale now for Wynonna's Rockin' Christmas. They can be purchased at the Grand Falls Casino Resort Gift Shop, by telephone at (712) 777-7777 or online at www.GrandFallsCasinoResort.com.



SHAUNA MARLETTE/P&D

Maddie Manning twirls on the ice during Saturday's Toys for Kids Christmas Show of the Yankton Figure Skating Association. More than 20 skaters performed during the extravaganza. Admission for the program was a new toy or unwrapped goodwill donation to be donated to the Yankton Toys for Kids Program.

## **USD** Opera Recipient **Of National Award**

VERMILLION - The University of South Dakota Opera's spring 2012 production of "Dido and Aeneas" was awarded third prize in the National Opera Association's 2011-12 Opera Production Competition.

Directed by Tracelyn Gesteland, D.M.A., assistant professor of voice/opera, "Dido and Aeneas" featured a mythic queen, her lover and an evil Sorceress bent on revenge. Musical conductor for the production was David Holdhusen, Ph.D., assistant professor of music and director of choral activities at USD. Rebecca Hebda, a sophomore from Yankton, was the choreographer.

Entries in the competition were judged based on videotaped performances, and a statement of the director's concept and artistic choices. Universities were divided into five categories, including production budget, size of overall music program and the level of vocal training of the cast members. Recent past winners of this award include the University of Colorado at Boulder and the College-Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati.

"For our opera program to receive an honor bestowed upon

some of the most esteemed opera programs in the country speaks to the level of talent here at USD,' Gesteland said. "To receive recognition on a national level is a huge achievement for everyone involved in this production."

Since 1955, NOA has worked nationally to promote appreciation of opera and music theatre as well as educational opportunities for those studying the craft, with the goal of improving the scope and quality of opera nationwide. The NOA Opera Production Competition is open to all small regional opera companies in the United States and all college and university opera programs.

Annually, USD Opera presents a main stage opera in addition to children's outreach performances. In 2013, USD Opera will perform Menotti's "The Medium," April 19- 20, at Aalfs Auditorium in Slagle Hall.



singer Michael Johnson will join the group in presenting its unique take on the music of Christmas. The performance provides a wonderful holiday outing for the entire family.

Original members of A South Dakota Acoustic Christmas onstage this year include Boyd Bristow, (guitar), Judy Connor (concertina), Mike Connor (guitar and mandoline), Kathy Dains (tin whistle), Tom Dains (guitar), Fred Evans (drums), Barb Porter (bodhran), Terry Pospisil (guitar) and Kenny Putnam (fiddle), all of whom also perform the vocals.

There will be one performance of A South Dakota Acoustic Christmas" in Dakota Theatre downtown at 328 Walnut Street. Get tickets at the Dakota Theatre Box Office or call 605-665-4711 or email lctc@midconetwork.com. Doors will open one hour prior to show times.

job had slipped through her fingers. Eventually, though, she was hired — the only woman in the line-up of drivers for Princess Zaahira (supposedly a favorite wife), her family, and staff, as needed.

It sounded like a glamorous job, but Larson quickly learned the opposite. While male chauffeurs were allowed to wear casual clothing, she was instructed to wear long sleeves and long pants, despite L.A.'s summertime heat. She was on call 24/7 for seven weeks and had to keep her limo fully gassed at all times. She was to follow instructions to the letter, even if it broke the law.

Yet, despite the annoyances,

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# **Fill Your Pockets** With Christmas **Cash And Help** The Food Pantry Fill Its Shelves

The Press & Dakotan will be discounting private party classified ads in exchange for a non-perishable food donation for the Yankton County Contact Center.

Bring a donation into our office from Dec. 1-31 and receive \$3 off your private party classified ad.



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