

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **Bowl of Heaven** by Gregory Benford; Fiction
- **Escape** by Perihan Magden; Fiction
- **The Lighthouse Road** by Peter Geyre; Fiction
- **Missing** by Shelley Shepard Gray; Fiction
- **Severe Clear** by Stuart Woods; Fiction
- **Three Vector** by Tom Clancy; Fiction
- **All of Me** by Kim Noble; Nonfiction
- **Heaven Changes Everything** by Todd & Sonja Burpo; Nonfiction
- **Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power** by Jon Meacham; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **The Black Box** by Michael Connelly; Fiction
- **Private London** by James Patterson; Fiction

EASY BOOKS

- **The Big Snuggle-up** by Patten & Bayley; Fiction
- **Cuddle Bear** by Freedman & Scott; Fiction
- **Monkey's Friends** by Ruth Brown; Fiction
- **1001 Things to Spot on the Farm** by Gillian Doherty; Nonfiction
- **Show Me Dogs** by Megan Cooley Peterson; Nonfiction

The Center To Host New Year's Eve Party

The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton, will host a New Year's Eve Party on Monday, Dec. 31, running from 7-10 p.m.

There will be live entertainment featuring The Bumble Bees. Beer and wine will also be available for sale.

For more information, contact Christy Hauer at 605-665-4685 or director@thecenteryankton.org.

Yankton Library To be Closed For Holiday

The Yankton Community Library will close at 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, and reopen at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

For further information, call the library at 668-5275.

YCTC To Host Auditions For 'Aladdin'

The Yankton Children's Theatre Co. will hold auditions for its 2013 season-opening production of "Aladdin and His Wonderful, Magical Lamp" at 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 5, and Sunday, Jan. 6, at the YCTC Home, 407 Walnut St., Yankton.

The play will be directed by Tara Gill.

Performance dates for "Aladdin and His Wonderful, Magical Lamp" are Feb. 28-March 3.

For more information, visit <http://www.yanktonchildrenstheatre.org/>.

MMC Prof's Work Featured At Exhibition

Mount Marty College Associate Professor of Art David Kahle created an original oil painting to accompany a poem that will be on display during the upcoming exhibition, "P3 (Painters, Poets & Pavilion)," at the Washington Pavilion Visual Arts Center in Sioux Falls.

"This original work of art is a montage of four to five original works of art, collaged together to create a unique, visual theme," states Kahle.

The exhibition runs through March 16 in the Everist Gallery. There will be a poetry reading March 16 from 3-5 p.m. and a closing reception March 16 from 6-8 p.m.

Kahle is the Associate Professor of Fine Arts at Mount Marty College and the Bede Art Gallery Director. His original work titled, Peacock Dreams, is displayed to match the poem by Marcella Redmund of the USD Department of English. Redmund is Faculty Advisor of the Vermillion Literary Project (VLP). Kahle's original work, a collage oil painting, will be displayed for the duration of the exhibit.

For more information on the exhibit, visit www.washingtonpavilion.org.

America To Perform At Grand Falls Resort

LARCHWOOD, Iowa — Grand Falls Casino Resort is pleased to announce that America will be performing live at the Grand Falls Casino Resort Event Center at 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12.

The group met in high school in London in the late 1960s and quickly harmonized their way to the top of the charts on the strength of their signature song "A Horse With No Name." America became a global household name and paved the way with an impressive string of hits following the success of their first No. 1 single. Forty years later, these friends are still making music together, touring the world and thrilling audiences with their timeless sound. They have recorded seven albums and boast several top 10 hits, including "Tin Man" and "Sister Golden Hair."

Tickets are currently on sale and are available through the Grand Falls Casino Resort Ticket Office located within the Resort Gift Shop. They may be purchased in person, by telephone at (712) 777-7777, or online at GrandFallsCasinoResort.com. Grand Falls Casino Resort, a Grand New Way to Live it Up!

Yankton Library

Include The Community Library In Your 2013 Plans

BY KATHY JACOBS

Yankton Community Library

During the month of December, we start to think about New Year's resolutions. Often, these resolutions revolve around ways to get our bodies in shape, but what about our minds? No matter what our age, we need to exercise our minds as well as our bodies. What better way to do that than to include regular visits to the library as a part of your routine. You'll find all types of materials in many formats to meet your needs and interests, as well as programs that entertain and inform.

Were you lucky enough to receive a new electronic device for downloadable books as a holiday gift? If so, you'll want to check out "South Dakota Titles To Go..." on our web site. All materials can be checked out and downloaded on your devices by simply logging into the site with your patron number and password which is your last name. OverDrive, our downloadable service, continues to make their tutorials much more user friendly with steps to walk you through the set up process and help you check out items or place items on hold. If you are still having problems, don't hesitate to call us as we can troubleshoot many of your problems over the phone. Another option is to stop in as we are all trained to answer your questions and get you started.

Story time, toddler time, and lap sit begin the week of Jan. 7. Story time meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. Lap sit meets Wednesdays from 11-11:20 a.m., and toddler time meets Thursdays from 11-11:20 a.m. All programs include stories and interactive music with instruments. Children also enjoy rhymes and finger plays. Infants to preschoolers won't want to miss these programs.

Join us for our after school movies, all beginning at 3:45 p.m. "The Odd Life of Timothy Green" will be shown on Jan. 3 and "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days" on Jan. 17.

Readers Anonymous, our afternoon book club, will discuss Steig Larsson's "The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest" at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8. This club, which is open to new members, meets the second Tuesday of each month.

Between the Lines, our evening book club which is also open to new members, meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. On Jan. 15, they will discuss "Catherine the Great" by Robert K. Massie.

Back by popular demand are the Facebook and Pinterest classes. Many patrons have asked that we repeat these classes. We ask that children under 18 please be accompanied by their parent/guardian. Participants are encouraged to bring personal laptops to

the session. Both classes are free of charge but we ask that you please call the library or register in person at the circulation desk. Both classes will be limited to 15 participants.

Our "Facebook for Beginners" class will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 22, where we'll go over the basics of setting up a Facebook account and utilizing some of its key features such as connecting with friends, photo sharing, and using Facebook chat. Please register by Jan. 21.

The "Pinterest for Beginners" class, which takes place on Tuesday, Jan. 29, will go over the basics of setting up a Pinterest account and utilizing features such as re-pinning, creating boards, and pin etiquette. Please register for this class by Jan. 28.

It's time to mark your calendars and save the date of March 9, 2013, for the Friends of the Library's Gourmet Guys evening. Tickets will go on sale in February. Friends has already booked several "Guys" to provide succulent cuisine. Some are returning cooks from previous years and one is new to the lineup. You won't want to miss this great event!

We have been collecting socks all through the month of December. Once again, patrons have been very generous. Watch for the January press release that gives the final total. All socks will be donated to the Library.

Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, Jan. 5, from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Friends is always happy to accept gently used books for their sales

which take place the first Saturday of every month.

If you'd like to get on our mailing list for our online newsletter, just e-mail kjacobs@sdln.net and type subscribe in the subject line.

Did you know that in 2011, the library donated 1,739 items to the Contact Center through the generosity of our patrons who brought designated items to the library to

pay off their fines. We will continue to hold Food for Fines during 2013. Watch our monthly calendars for specific times.

You can contact the library at 605-668-5275 or e-mail me at kjacobs@sdln.net. View us online at <http://www.yanktonsd.org/yankton/library/index.php> or visit us on Facebook by searching Yankton Community Library.

The Book Shelf

'Sophia's War' Is Riveting Novel

"Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution," by Avi, Beach Lane Books (an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division), 2012. 320 pages.

BY PAT HANSEN

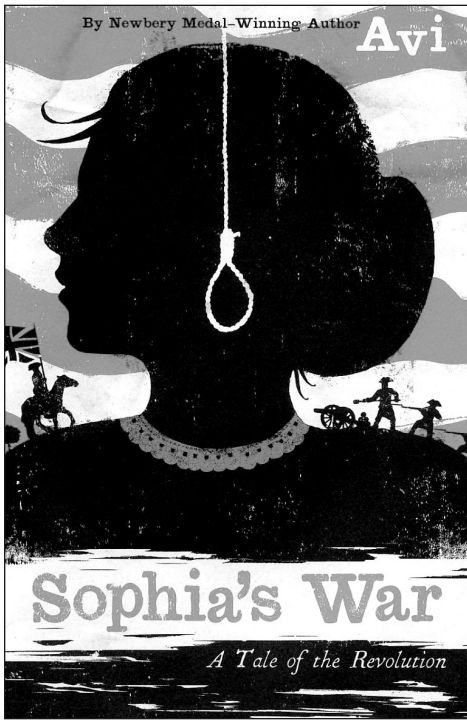
Have you ever had a really big secret? One that you knew you needed to tell someone, but no one would believe you?

Twelve-year-old Sophia Calderwood's world has turned upside-down. Her beloved brother has joined the Patriot army fighting for America's freedom from Britain. How proud she is of him! How certain she is that the Patriots will prevail over the British Redcoats! If only they would hear from William to know that he is alive.

So far she's been spared the ugliness of war, until the day she sees Nathan Hale hanged for being a spy. Such a horrible event cements her hatred and fear of British soldiers. Her father being wounded by the British as he tries to return from the country to their house in New York City adds to those feeling even further. So when her family is told that a British officer will be staying with them Sophia is horrified.

To her great surprise, Lt. John Andre is nothing like she expected. He is polite, respectful and charming. In no time it seems to Sophia that Lt. Andre fancies her. She dismisses the age difference.

She and her parents are careful not to mention William to Lt. Andre. Sophia manages to keep quiet until the day she and Lt. Andre are walking along the street. A group of ragged Pa-



triot prisoners is being moved to prison by British soldiers. And among them, looking terrible, is her precious William. Unable to keep quiet, she calls out to him. With that, their secret is out.

Luckily, Lt. Andre says he will tell no one about William. This gives Sophia's father the

courage to ask Lt. Andre if he can help free William from prison. But he tells Sophia and his family that he cannot help William, as he will do nothing to tarnish his standing as a British officer. He is also being transferred to another location.

Sophia tries to save William by herself. She is able to bribe her way into prison to see him once. The next time, she learns he has died. Sophia vows revenge against the British army.

Three years later, the war is still stretching on. Then Sophia meets a man who asks if she'd be willing to learn information about the British army and pass it on to him. Remembering her vow to William, she says yes. She's placed as a serving girl in a high-ranking British officer's home. To her great surprise that high-ranking official is John Andre, now a major. Luckily she's changed enough that he doesn't recognize her.

Sophia is able to pick up bits and pieces of information, dutifully passing them on. Then her contact tells her he must drop out of sight. Sophia is on her own. And she's piecing together information that indicates a very high Patriot officer will become a traitor. But her contact is gone. If she does nothing and is right about what she's learned, the Patriot cause will be over. She's the only one who can do anything. But what can a 15-year-old girl do?

This historical fiction book, for ages 8 and up, is riveting and educational, as it is based on true events and true people, except for Sophia and her family, who are fictional. It's well worth curling up with this winter. And don't keep it a secret — pass the book along.

Your Horoscope Outlook For 2013

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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Here is your horoscope outlook for 2013. (NOTE: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign. The stars show the kind of year you'll have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

★★★★ Times are changing, and you know it. Even your behavior and reactions reflect an integration of a new style. You will be on cruise control until mid-June. At that point, issues will appear on the homefront. Suddenly, what you have won't be enough — you'll want more. Perhaps you will want more family members to live with you, or maybe you'll want to buy a second home. Expansion is the name of the game. Many of you have undergone, or are about to face, a major change in your life. This change will set you free and allow you to pursue a heartfelt desire. Drop the word "should" from your vocabulary. If you are attached, your partner might be reacting to the ever-evolving you. Understand and indulge this person. He or she, in return, will greet the transformation more easily. Motto of the Year: Step one in manifesting your dreams is a strong determination.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★★ Now through spring, you'll save and create a bigger nest egg for yourself. You might want to spend as you see more money coming in. Hold off on making any financial decisions until after spring 2013, when your reasoning will be more solid. If you are attached, a partner might test your limits, which could add a cold chill to your bond. Make an effort to understand where this person is coming from. Many Bulls will experience a new friend in their lives — one who inspires them in some way. Some of you might decide to live a dream. Why not go for it? Come summer, communication excels, and you will be far happier than you have been in a long time. You also will identify with others more easily, as often you can detach and imagine what it must be like to be them. Relationships in your life start to flourish. Motto of the Year: If you can dream it, you can have it. Don't settle for less.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ Many of you are out socializing, net-



working and making your mark on the world. Others are well aware of you. If you are single, open your eyes, and you, too, will become aware. As a result, you will see all of your potential suitors. You also will be on a roll, both professionally and financially, through spring. From summer 2013 through the remainder of the year, you could be a candidate for a pay raise, promotion, lottery win or surprise inheritance. Money is on an upward cycle, which makes certain aspects of your life easier. Negotiations with a partner over money might be difficult, as you will start to observe new sides of this person. You might not like what you see. Unexpected events and new realizations steer you on a more authentic and happier course than the one you have been on for years. Motto of the Year: Don't fight the inevitable.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You are in the last year of a 12-year cycle, which ends mid-June. Look back 11 to 12 years ago. What did you begin? It could involve work, a relationship, a wish, etc. How did it turn out? In the next few months, it is important to release any vestiges of what has not worked, because after mid-June, you will begin a new life cycle. Greet new opportunities with arms wide open, as you will be unusually fortunate the first year of this cycle. There will be many highs and lows, yet everything will end on a positive note. A partner been, and will continue to be, controlling and somewhat feisty. You might receive updated lessons about control and power. Know that the only way to win is not to play.

Back off when this behavior starts. Trust that whatever comes down your path will turn out to be positive, even if you initially do not like the look of it. This year, you will be carrying a lucky rabbit's foot in your back pocket. Motto of the year: Remember your mantra: I am lucky.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ You tend to be gregarious and fun to be with. As 2013 begins, you will be doing what you do the best: socializing and enjoying yourself. Romance could be knocking on your door as well. This theme will continue through spring. It is almost as if you can wish upon a star. Attached Lions enjoy their bonds even more. Single Lions easily could find that they are in the throes of a special romance. Come summer, you'll be more private. It might be a good idea to find out why. You are in the last leg of a 12-year life cycle. Think back 11 years. What were you doing? What did you start? What was the outcome? In the next 12 months, look at what no longer works in your life. You'll want to be problem-free for your new life cycle, which begins in 2014. Motto of the Year: Let others in and spice up your life.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ As 2013 unfolds, you might agree that you have a lot of responsibilities on your plate. In fact, there are a few too many, even for the efficient Virgo. You might find yourself doing two jobs rather than one, looking at a possible promotion or just working overtime. The good news is that, from late June on, you will see your rewards, and it all will be worth it. Summer brings you joy in some form, and you will enjoy your life once more. You'll discover that as you smile, the world smiles back in your life. If you are single, you will have a very intense romance knocking on your door. You could even meet The One. If you are attached, the unexpected adds excitement to you and your partner's lives. As a couple, you are likely to materialize a long-term desire over the summer months. How you leave 2013 will be a lot different than how you greeted it. Motto of the Year: It gets better.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You are making many more of your dreams a reality this year. How exciting! Those of you who only dream and take no action will be sorry. This type of opportunity doesn't happen

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