

ENTERTAINMENT

Experiences Of WWII Vet Are Showcased

The experiences of World War II veteran and Yankton native Robert E. Kylius will be discussed during the Dakota Territorial Museum Brown Bag Lunch program, set for 12:10 p.m. today (Friday) at the museum, located at 610 Summit, Yankton.

Brown Bag Lunches are held in the Dakota Territorial Museum Conference Room every third Friday of each month.

WNAX Exhibit Opens At Yankton Museum

WNAX is the focus of a new exhibit at the Dakota Territorial Museum. The exhibit will open Saturday, Feb. 20, with an open house at the museum from noon to 4 p.m. with juice, coffee, snacks, and the chance to share your personal stories about your favorite WNAX radio personality.

The exhibit will focus on the history of the radio station from its start in 1960. Visitors to the exhibit will learn about the radio personalities and musicians that made the vast prairies of the Midwest a little less lonely and will feature WNAX artifacts that have become rare collectibles.

For more information, call 665-3898.

Students Invited To MMC Theatre Day

Classroom literature comes to life when Mount Marty College hosts Theatre Day 2010 on Feb. 23 with Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing." The production will be performed by the National Players, the nation's longest touring repertory theatre troupe. The performance for students begins at 10 a.m. that day.

Free enrollment is limited to 50 students per school. Lunch is available on campus.

To register, contact Mount Marty College at 1-800-658-4552. You can also register online at www.mmc.edu/admissions/events.

Other performances by the National Players for the public will include "Much Ado About Nothing" the evening of Feb. 22 and "Lord of the Flies" the evening of Feb. 23. This year, those performances will be presented as part of the Mount Marty's Chautauqua annual event.

Writers' Tour To Present Kent Meyers

The Great Plains Writers' Tour will present author Kent Meyers at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, at Marian Auditorium on the Mount Marty College campus, Yankton. Kent Meyers is Writer-in-Residence at Black Hills State University and author of five books, and most recently authored "Twisted Tree" (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt).

Beadle School Concert Is Feb. 25

"The Sounds of Anniversaries" will be heard at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Yankton High School Theatre as Beadle School's first-, second- and third-graders present their annual concert.

What do "Sesame Street," "The Sound of Music" and "The Wizard of Oz" all have in common? They all are celebrating special anniversaries during this school year. "Sesame Street" turns 40, "The Sound of Music" turns 50 and "The Wizard of Oz" is 70 years old.

That's just what the Beadle students have done as they have planned their concert around these three giants in American culture. You'll hear songs as familiar to you as your own name, and maybe one or two that are brand-new. You'll certainly be humming along, and we hope you'll even help us sing before the evening is over.

Carey Mitzel is principal of Beadle School, Lea Ann Schramm is music educator, and Myrna Brennick is the accompanist for this concert, with a special appearance by Yankton School District orchestra instructor Kim Evander.

VLP Poetry Festival Slated For Thursday

VERMILLION — The Vermillion Literary Project (VLP) will present its 2010 Poetry Festival on Thursday, Feb. 25, on the University of South Dakota campus, featuring visiting poets Freya Manfred and Gary Dop.

For a complete Festival schedule, registration and fee information, and registration form, visit orgs.usd.edu/vlp/ and click on the Poetry Festival link.

Duo Featured At Center Benefit

The duo Tina and Lena are the featured entertainment at The Center's Wine and Dine event, set for Friday, Feb. 26, at the Hillcrest Country Club.

"Tina and Lena" are in the full-time business of making people laugh out loud. Their engaging variety show is a rich blend of clever to cornball comedy, musical harmony and spirited antics ... a celebration of the audience that goes full blast in high gear from start to finish.

Born in 1984, "Tina and Lena's" fame has spread widely across the U.S.A. These lively ladies are perennial favorites at corporate outings, state and national conventions, fairs, festivals and performing arts theatres. They're coming to our town. They're coming to our event! Come join the fun with "Tina and Lena."

Tickets are available by calling 665-4685 or stopping in at 900 Whiting Drive.

ART FORMS

Youth Art Show Settles In At GAR Hall Gallery

BY PAM MEYLOR
Yankton Area Arts

It's still cold outside, but there's no better way to warm up and brighten your spirits than a visit to the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery! March is National Youth Art Month and we're starting the celebration early this year — and perhaps we can convince spring to follow our lead.

Our 2010 Youth Art exhibit features the artwork of middle school students from the Yankton community and makes for a wonderful display in the G.A.R. Hall. Similar exhibitions are presented across the nation

to celebrate the creative spirit of young artists and recognize the vitality of America's art education programs. The show will be on display through March 16. This past week, Yankton Middle School art teachers Charlene Arens and Marcia Olnes have been working hard preparing the displays for the children's work and arranging the pieces in the gallery. Mrs. Arens and Mrs. Olnes have selected a wide range of student artwork to show the public the talent and diversity of the young artists they teach. Their selection encompasses close to a hundred pieces of artwork displayed throughout the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery.

We look forward to this annual Youth Art Exhibit here at Yankton Area Arts and enjoy seeing the student's work throughout the gallery. It is great to see young kids visiting the gallery with their families and talking about their art. There are a variety of art mediums on display as the young artists have created wonderful sculptures, sketched self-portraits, perspective drawings and so much more. I just love seeing art through the creations of our local students.

Along with the annual youth show, Yankton Area Arts looks for additional opportunities to promote art to our young community members. This year, I am pleased to announce that our organization will be funding a scholarship for the 2010 Oscar Howe Summer Art Institute (OHSAI) hosted by the University of South Dakota Art Department. The funds provided by Yankton Area Arts will cover all of one student's expenses for the art institute. I would like to encourage area high school art students to apply for OHSAI as the funding from Yankton Area Arts will go to an area applicant. The institute is scheduled for this summer beginning June 20 and is slated to

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