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# **New At The Library**

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

# **ADULT BOOKS**

- The Colour of Milk by Nell Levshon: Fiction
- Crystal Cove by Lisa Kleypas; Fiction
- Deadly Stakes by J. A. Jance; Fiction
- The Good Daughter by Jane Porter; Fiction
- See Now Then by Jamaica Kincaid; Fiction
- Touch & Go by Lisa Gardner; Fiction • Tuf Voyaging by George R. R. Martin; Fiction
- Wake Up Dead by Roger Smith; Fiction
- **ADULT AUDIO BOOKS**

- Malice by Lisa Jackson; Fiction
- My Beloved World by Sonia Sotomayor; Nonfiction

## **ADULT DVDS**

• Abel's Field

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### YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- Beautiful Chaos by Kami Garcia & Margaret Stohl; Fiction
- Dark Water by Tricia Rayburn; Fiction
- Pinned by Sharon G. Flake; Fiction
- Small Damages by Beth Kephart; Fiction
- Vessel by Sarah Beth Durst; Fiction
- UnWholly by Neal Schusterman; Fiction
- The Pregnancy Project by Gabby Rodriguez; Nonfiction

### JUNIOR BOOKS

• Almost Home by Joan Bauer; Fiction • Captain Underpants and the Revolting Revenge of the Ra-

dioactive Robo-Boxers by Dav Pilkey; Fiction

• Game Changers by Mike Lupica; Fiction • Son by Lois Lowry; Fiction

# J. Laiten Weed Orchestra Concert Saturday

The 2013 J. Laiten Weed Honors Orchestra will present a concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, in the Yankton Middle School Theater.

The gala concert will feature Mozart's Divertimento No. 3, Psalm & Fugue by Alan Hovhaness, and Dvorak's Serenade for Strings in E Major. Tickets will be available at the door.

The orchestra is dedicated to the legacy and the memory of J Laiten Weed - gentleman, consummate teacher and professional musician. Through his vision and provision for the future, SDSTA has both the Lucy Palermo Weed String Competition and the J. Laiten Weed Honors Orchestra to promote and reward excellence in string music.

# 'Concert For Code Red' Benefit Saturday

The "Concert for Code Red," a benefit for Cody Ellingson, will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Rounding 3rd Bar and Casino, 304 W. 3rd St., Yankton.

There will be an auction, raffle and bake sale. Entertainment by Independent Progress, Roman Ships, TC Steckelberg, Eric Beringer and Justin Johnson. Donations are being accepted.

Any questions, call Justin Johnson at 612-325-8837.

# Valentine's Party Slated For Over Museum

VERMILLION — The Friends of the W. H. Over Museum are having an old-fashioned Valentine party in the one-room school house at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10.

Participants will make Valentines, decorate cookies and play games.

# YHS Band/Solos/Ensembles Concert Monday

The Yankton High School band will feature the talents of ReNae Jackson on Soprano Saxophone as well as selected solo and ensemble literature at its Feb. 11 concert at the YHS/Summit Activities Center theatre. The concert is slated to begin at 7 p.m., but will start featuring soloists and ensembles at 6:45 p.m.

The Symphonic Band will be playing "Purgatorio," in which Ms. Jackson will be a featured soloist. "Purgatorio" is a musical portrayal of a portion of Dante's "Divine Comedy."

The Concert Band will also be in performance, as well as selected solo and ensembles in preparation for their upcoming con-

# **The Book Shelf** Swear' Faces Up To Bullying

When bullying has the ultimate consequences, who's to blame?

"I Swear," by Lane Davis, Simon & Schus-ter Children's Publishing Division, 2012. 288 pages.

### **BY PAT HANSEN**

Bullying. We hear about it in the news all the time. Usually we only hear of the most extreme cases, where the person being bullied committed suicide. We hear that an investiga-tion is being conducted, with charges to possi-bly be filed. But we wonder, 'What really happened? What did the bullies do that could have driven a person to commit suicide? Are they to blame for another person's decision? Whose fault is it?'

Leslie Gatlin is the first person we meet in the first chapter of this book. She's obviously very upset, especially as she reads a message on her computer. We watch helplessly as she climbs into the car in the garage and starts the engine.

This book gets into the minds of four people who were all involved with Leslie. Some were her friend; some were not.

First there's Jillian. She used to be friends with Leslie, but she fell into Macie Merrick's circle, a circle of girls who feel lucky that someone as captivating and perfect as Macie would want to be friends with them. These girls will do anything to stay in Macie's good graces.

Jillian and her twin brother, Jake, used to be friends with Leslie a few years ago. They shared a summer vacation with Leslie and her parents, even buying matching necklaces. That was before the rumor that Macie started about



#### Leslie their freshman year.

Then there's Jake, Jillian's brother. He really likes Leslie, ever since the summer at the sea. He'd love to be her boyfriend but she keeps holding him at a distance. So he backs off, hoping she'll come around someday. But Macie wants Jake to herself and doesn't take kindly to him liking Leslie. It puts Leslie right in Macie Merrick's crosshairs.

Katherine is into the beauty queen pageant

circuit. She's not above becoming 'friends' with Leslie in order to make a connection with Leslie's mother, who knows everyone in the beauty queen world. Becoming a follower of Macie only helps her gain the credentials to

help her on the circuit. Last is Beth. She was once friends with Leslie. But after the 'incident,' Beth has avoided Leslie, even to the point of turning against her. She finds comfort in orbiting in Macie Merrick's universe, hoping the secret Leslie knows about her won't destroy everything.

When Leslie kills herself, her family hires lawyers to investigate. As they peel away the layers of friendship and deceit we learn more about each person and their relationship with Leslie and each other. When each person plays a little part in hurting another, who is really to blame?

This book is a bit difficult to read, for several reasons. First, since it is told from four alternating points of view, you really have to pay attention to who is speaking in each chapter

and keep them straight in your mind. Second, the subject matter is just plain painful, which is the point of the book. It exposes things that none of the characters wants anyone to know about, things that all contribute to Leslie's suicide. The final straw is one you will just wish you could undo yourself as the reader.

The book has no sex or swearing, which is refreshing. It's compelling and well-woven, keeping you coming back for more even though you know it won't change what happened. You keep hoping the characters will change. You won't be disappointed.



#### <u>MEETING NOT</u> ES

### **TOASTMASTER CLUB 1294**

Yankton Toastmaster Club 1294 met on Saturday January 5, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. at the Fry'n Pan Restaurant. The meeting was called to order by President Joy Winther. The invocation was Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Harry Voelzke was introduced as the Toastmaster of the meeting. Grammar awarded the Best Speaker trophy to Jen Hovland and reminded officers that additional required training will take place 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the RTEC building.

## GET UP & GO

The Get Up & Go 4-H Club met on , at the Irene Legion Hall President Katrina Hauger called the meeting to order. The American flag pledge was led be Emily Dangel and the 4-H pledge by Kevin Hinseth. The roll call topic was, "Who do you want to win the Super Bowl, the Ravens or the 49'ers?" Our club got our fruit forms to start selling fruit. If you would like to purchase some fruit before Feb. 22, 2013, contact a local 4-H member. Fruit forms are due by Feb. 22. Kevin Hinseth's demonstration was on how to run a clay pigeon shooter. Stephanie Hauger's demonstration was on how to make a tie blanket. After the meeting we played Beef-O-Bingo. Lunch was served by Daniel. Emily. and Garrett Dangel. Our next meeting will be on March 3,

2013.

Public School Board. Emma French-Laird, Century 21, invited everyone to Rounding 3rd on Saturday, Feb. 9, for the Cody Ellingson benefit. Kathy Ja-cobs, Yankton Public Library, invited everyone to the Women's and Children's Center Heart to Heart Dinner theatre on Saturday, February 9 starting at 5:30. Frani Kieffer, Avera Foundation Director, uced her quest s iker

evening. Marcie is also working on some outlaw poems. He has 3 Legends and Lore of the Outlaw Trail books, 6 CD's, 20 scarves and 22 T's. He will stop at Special T's and order more large T-

<sup>a</sup> Legends and Lore of the Outlaw Trail — Marita reported she has turned in \$1479.00 for books since September eived \$57 98 for

HOLIDAY GUEST **AT WEBSTER** SCHOOL The kindergarten and first grade students

at Webster School had a special guest for Martin Luther King Jr. day. Mrs. Lola Harens (pictured) visited the classrooms to speak about diversity and acceptance of everyone. She also concluded her message with a reading of Llama Llama Time To Share, a book that was then donated to the Webster School library. We are appreciative of the Yankton Literacy Council for the donation of the book, the planning through Deb Overseth and RSVP services, and Mrs. Harens for sharing her time with us. Our students give a HOOT! HOOT! about Mrs. Harens! (Submitted Photo)

test.

Both bands will be combined to showcase the talents of all the winds and percussionists of the Yankton High School Music Depart-

# Great Plains Writers' Tour Event Feb. 12

Mount Marty College brings award-winning writer Dan O'Brien to the campus for the next presentation of the Great Plains Writers' Tour. O'Brien's presentation will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, in Mount Marty College's Marian Auditorium.

O'Brien is the author of numerous novels and memoirs, including "Buffalo for the Broken Heart" and "The Contract Surgeon," winners of the Western Heritage Award for best nonfiction in 2001 and for best fiction in 1999, respectively. "Buffalo for the Broken Heart" was the One Book South Dakota selection for 2009. "Equinox: Life, Love, and Birds of Prey" is available in a Bison Books edition.

This event is free and open to the public.

# 'Valentine's Day Of Fun' Set For Vermillion

VERMILLION - The Main Street Center of Vermillion will hold its Valentine's Day of Fun on Thursday, Feb. 14. The event, which takes place at 320 W, Main, runs from 1-6 p.m.

The Valentine's Fun Day will include games and food. The games will include pitch, bridge, pinochle, dominoes and bunco. There will be a beverage break at 3 p.m.; and at 5 p.m., there will be soup, sandwiches and desserts, followed with drawings.

This event is open to the public.

For more information, call 605-624-8072 or email srcenter@vyn.midco.net.

# USD Theatre Students Honored At Festival

VERMILLION - Students and faculty from the University of South Dakota Department of Theatre were honored last week at the Region V Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival in Lincoln, Neb.

Six students and a member of the USD Theatre faculty received certificates of commendation for their stage work during the 2012 academic year. Graduate student Gabe Gomez of Fargo, N.D. was recognized for scenic design on "Sweeney Todd" and for the design of projections and properties on "Brigadoon." Callie Hisek, a graduate student from Ames, Iowa, was recognized for achievement in stage management of "Sweeney Todd"; and graduate student James Hovland of Yankton received a certificate of commendation for lighting design on "Top Girls." Professor of Theatre Tim Case was also honored for his work on "Top Girls," receiving a certificate of commendation for scenic design. Undergraduates Sammi Geppart of Sioux Falls and Cory Rush of Sturgis were both recognized for their work on "Dead Man's Cell Phone" for costume design (Geppart) and scenic design (Rush).

Additionally, Brian Muldoon of Sioux Falls and his acting partner Jamie Fields of Bellevue, Neb. were part of a group of 64 actors (out of 325 competitors) who advanced to the semifinals of the Irene Ryan Acting Competition, and Brianna Adams of Lincoln, and Kristian Asfeldt and Steve Schaeffer of Sioux Falls participated in the festival's Musical Theatre Intensive where 20 performers, selected from a group of 70 auditions, received coaching from industry professionals and later performed in a festival cabaret.

The 2013 regional festival brought close to 1,700 students from colleges and universities in Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota to Lincoln to showcase their talents in all areas of theatre. Students also auditioned for summer employment opportunities and attended workshops throughout the week.

ian Doug Fickbohm gave the word of the day, which was "epiphany," meaning a revelation or inspiration. Table Topics were lead by Winther on the subject of "New Year's Resolutions." Speeches were given by the following: Jana Lane on "Sand Hills Devil Girl" from the Com-petent Communicator Manual; Kevin Buhl on "The Face Upon the Bar Room Floor," from the Poetry Reading Manual. Master Evaluator of the meeting was

Vernon Arens, who evaluated the meeting and called on Carol Smith to evaluate Jana Lane, and Janice Stone to evaluate Kevin Buhl. Presentations were also given by Grammarian Fickbohm, Joke Master Kathy Heina, Ah Counter/Nail Dropper Jeremy Skrenes, Timer Matt Stone, and Vote Counter Janice Kruse.

Table topics winner was Hejna; best evaluator, Smith; and best speaker Buhl.

Guests are welcome. For more information call Steve at 665-8448.

### **ASHH TOASTMASTER CLUB 6217**

Toastmaster Jennifer Wubben, who is also Vice-President of Membership, welcomed ASHH Toastmasters Club 6217 and Yankton Club 1294 officers, Joy Winther, Douglas Fickbohm and Roy Wilcox, to the Jan. 24 noon meeting at the KPI conference room for Area 62 training. Eileen O'Connor led the invocation

recommending that members 'pray' and think before speaking in any situation. Master Evaluator Jeff May intro-

duced his evaluation team with Stan Sudbeck dropping nails for unneeded "ahs," Chelsi Hames timing the speakers, and Winther defining the word of the day "manifold." Other written evaluations were done by Tim Bohn, Greg Stach and Fickbohm. MJ Rogers, Jane Miller and Joyce Stevens also participated.

ASHH Vice-President of Education Jen Hovland reviewed the Distinguished Club goals and the various manuals available under both Toastmaster International tracks (i.e., Competent Communicator and Competent Leader)

Table Topics were part of Area 62 Governor Muriel Stach's "candy bar" training, which covered the Individual Achievement ledger, area governor's duties and upcoming contest needs.

Wubben mentioned the Scouts' boxes for 'respectful disposal of damaged USA flags' and the details of the "TI 1+1" member contest. She also

#### INTERCHANGE

Interchange met on Monday, Jan. 28, at Minervas for their weekly meeting Kathy Jacobs, Interchange President, called the meeting to order with the flag pledge. Members shared community announcements and upcoming events with the group in attendance. The Hostess was Lynette Hansen, Yankton Transit. Her speaker was Steve Mach from St. Michael's Hospital Avera and his presentation topic was about the organization Kids Against Hunger, a program whose main goal is to put a dent in the one billion people in the world who are hungry, many of them children.

The next Interchange meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 4, 2013, at Minervas. The Hostess will be Frani Kieffer, Avera Sacred Heart Foundation. Her speaker will be Valerie Wilson from the March of Dimes who will be talking about the two March of Dimes events in Yankton and giving an overview of the organization.

Interchange met at noon on Feb. 4 at Minerva's. The meeting was called to order by President, Kathy Jacobs, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Lois Varvel, Yankton County Historica Society, invited everyone to the Mead building open house on Saturday, Feb. 16, from 1-3 p.m. Kathy Gerstner, Gerst-ner Oil, also invited everyone to fundraising event for the Mead Building project on March 16 for Irish Fun at the building north of the Landing. Terra Fischer, Daktronics, invited everyone to the cracker barrel forums on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Avera Pavilion. Rita Wentworth Yankton Area Arts, encouraged members to take out a petition for Yankton

Willson the Community Director of March of Dimes. Valerie presented on the two upcoming March of Dime events March for Babies on May 4th and the March of Dimes Jail and Bail.

Next meeting will be at noon on Monday, Feb. 11. Shauna Kauth, Williams and Company, has invited Josh Svatos, RTEC General Manager.

#### **OUTLAW TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY**

The Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway meeting was held Jan. 15, 2013, at Wiebelbaus's Recreation Center, Crofton, Neb. Members present and introducing themselves and the organizations they were representing were: Mary Rose Pinkelman, St. James Market-place, Larry Halstead, Village of Lynch, Matt Cerny, Knox County Development Director, Linda Wubben, Crofton Eco-nomic Development, Al Brock, Valentine, Chris Kreycik, Kreycik Riverview Elk and Buffalo Ranch, Twyla Witt, Nebraska Tourism Commission, and Marita Placek, Lynch.

President Mary Rose opened the meeting at 10:10 a.m. Al made a motion to accept the secretary's report as subnitted, seconded by Larry. Carried. Mary Rose gave the treasurer's report. Al made motion to file the treasurer's report for audit, seconded by Larry. Motion carried. Marita submitted a bill for \$27.70 for postage, phone calls, mileage and money order. Motion by Al sec-onded by Larry to pay the bill. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Membership: Twyla reported on progress of membership. A sample flyer was passed around for inspection and corrections.

 Tourism: Mary Rose reported that she has found a high school student to do a power point of the Outlaw Trail for her school project.

 Brochures - Larry will pick up the brochures at St. James and store them at his building in Lynch. Omaha Sports show is Feb. 21-24. Minneapolis Sports Show is March 30-April 3rd. Al made motion to have brochures at the Minneapolis Sports Show, seconded by Chris. Carried.

Al made a list of changes needed for the next brochure and suggests the sec-retary keep the list for updating.
Trail Ride - Al reported he is work-

ing with Kelli Heiser on a trail ride to Horse Thief Canyon in Lynch on April 27-28. Marcie Brohill and her sister will provide the entertainment for Saturday

books sold at the Welcome Center. Al asked for clarification on book. The split is 70/30. The book sells to vendors and dealers at \$14.00 and they sell it for \$20.00.

 See the Quiltway the Byway: Mary Rose reported the quilt show would be held the second weekend of October. Oct. 11-13. She is working with Jan to apply for a grant to help with advertising and promotion. The quilt show will be advertised in the Country Register and Nebraska Life magazines. Also will contact Native American Casinos to participate in the Quiltway. Rhonda Kneifl will be checking into setting up bus tours for the Quiltway weekend.

Signage: AI has checked into interpretative signage. Signs will cost any-where from \$40 to \$350 per square foot and more. Did not have report from Rhonda, Twyla explained and showed photos of the painted peopled by Mari Sandoz at Taylor, Neb. Al will visited with Jan Jorgensen and have her check into grants for plagues and signage and report at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Marita made a motion to allow AI to contact Soyners for an ad in their next issue quarterly paper. He is to use his own judgment as to the size and cost of the ad. The ad is to have the Outlaw Logo, Legends and Lore of the Outlaw Trail book, the trail rides, quilts and website. Motion was seconded by Larry. Carried.

TREASURER: A discussion was held on someone finishing out the treasurer's term. Al made a motion to contract Allison Krevcik at \$12.00 per hour to work as a team with the elected treasurer until elected treasurer is able to take over the treasurer's duties and give Allison permission to purchase Quicken Software to do the bookwork on the computer. Motion seconded by Larry. Carried.

Chris made a motion to ask Sally to continue sending out the correspondence, minutes, membership notices, etc., seconded by Al. Motion carried.

Twyla gave her report. Please send community events to the tourism website. Agri/Éco Tourism Workshop will be held Feb. 5-6. at the Sandhills Convention Center, North Platte. The next Marketplace conference will be Feb. 12 at the Nielsen Community Center in West Point. The most tourist traffic in Nebraska for 2012 came from California, Texas, Florida, Illinois and Nebraska, The top two closest to Nebraska came from Missouri and Iowa

