

## New At The Library

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

### ADULT BOOKS

- **Belle Cora** by Phillip Margulies; Fiction
- **The Girl in Berlin** by Elizabeth Wilson; Fiction
- **Goat Mountain** by David Vann; Fiction
- **The Nero Decree** by Gregory Lee; Fiction
- **The Pagan Lord** by Bernard Cornwell; Fiction
- **A Star for Mrs. Blake** by April Smith; Fiction
- **3 Gates of the Dead** by Jonathan Ryan; Fiction
- **The Watch That Ends the Night** by Allan Wolf; Fiction
- **The Kid** by Ben Bradlee, Jr.; Nonfiction
- **Lady Almina and the Read Downton Abbey** by Countess of Carnarvon; Nonfiction
- **On the Golf Course: 101 Ways to Rock Your World** by Dayna Steele; Nonfiction
- **Pilgrim's Wilderness** by Tom Kizzia; Nonfiction
- **Princesses Behaving Badly** by Linda Rodriguez McRobbie; Nonfiction
- **The Secret Museum** by Molly Oldfield; Nonfiction
- **Simple Crochet** by Sara Sinaguglia; Nonfiction
- **Six Women of Salem** by Marilynne K. Roach; Nonfiction
- **We Will Survive** by Gloria Gaynor; Fiction

### ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **True Compass** by Edward M. Kennedy; Nonfiction

### ADULT DVDS

- **District 9**
- **Enough Said**
- **The Happening**
- **Lockout**
- **Runner Runner**
- **The Ultimate Lifes**

### YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **Ink** by Amanda Sun; Fiction

### EASY BOOKS

- **The "Can" in Cancer** by Julia Cook; Fiction
- **Cozy Light, Cozy Night** by Elisa Kleven; Fiction
- **Ollie and Claire** by Tiffany Strelitz Haber; Fiction
- **Penguin on Vacation** by Salina Yoon; Fiction
- **Santiago Stays** by Angela Dominguez; Fiction
- **Splat the Cat Dreams Big** by Rob Scotton; Fiction
- **Drawing Pirates and Pirate Ships** by Santillan & Eason; Nonfiction
- **Lola Goes to Work** by Marcia Goldman; Nonfiction
- **Martin & Mahalia** by Andrea David & Brian Pinkney; Nonfiction
- **Never Play Music Right Next to the Zoo** by Jon Lithgow; Nonfiction

## 'Gourmet Guys' Event Slated Saturday

Where can you taste sumptuous foods, listen to relaxing music, visit with friends, and have a great time all in one evening? It's at the Friends of the Library's sixth annual Gourmet Guys which will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25. The Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut, is hosting the event with doors opening to ticket holders at 6 p.m.

The evening's Gourmet Guys are Joey Benoit, Andy Bryan, Shane Gerlach, father/son team Wendell and Darric Mortenson, Todd Rothenberger and Bruce Viau who has been a "Guy" all six years.

Bill Chase and Friends will entertain diners with music. Everyone will be given an opportunity to take part in funding Friend's latest library project, comfortable chairs for the family area.

Tickets, which are the same price as last year, are now available at the library and Hy-Vee. A limited number of tickets are available.

If you have any questions, contact Library Director Kathy Jacobs at 668-5276.

## Spellebrate Scrabble Tourney Sunday

Sign-up is now under way for the Spellebrate Scrabble Tournament, taking place at The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton, on Sunday, Jan. 26.

"Spellebrate for a Good Cause" is the theme of the tournament, sponsored by the Yankton Area Literacy Council.

Participants must report at 12:30 p.m. to check in, with play beginning at 1 p.m.

Categories include youth (11 & under), students (12-17) and adults (18 and older). Prizes will be awarded.

The tournament's snow date is Feb. 16. For complete information, call Bev Calvert at the Yankton Area Literacy Council at (605) 665-3048 or stop in at 610 West 23rd Street, Suite 11, Yankton. You can also fill out an entry form online at [www.yanktonunitedway.org/](http://www.yanktonunitedway.org/). Go to "community partners," go to "partners & initiatives," click on "Yankton Area Literacy Council" and there you will find a registration form to fill out.

## Whitley Set For Yankton Library Feb. 3

Yankton native and author Sara Watt Whitley will present two sessions at the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street, on Monday, Feb. 3.

The first session, from 3:30-4:30 p.m., is geared toward young adults as she talks about how she found her voice and became a writer. Whitley will share excerpts from her two books "Another Ending" and "An Open Window," as well have books available for purchase.

At 6:30 p.m., Whitley will speak to the audience about her process and discuss progress on her third book, "A New Day Dawning," as well as sell and sign books. Both youth and adults are welcome to this session.

Whitley, who graduated from Yankton High School in 2011, is currently studying social work at the University of Sioux Falls. For further information, contact the library at 668-5276.

## 'Heart To Heart' Fundraiser Is Feb. 8

The "Heart To Heart With Yankton's Dancing Stars" event, sponsored by the Yankton Women's/Children's Center, will be held Saturday, Feb. 8, at Minervas Bar and Grill in Yankton.

This event is inspired by television's "Dancing With The Stars." A social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., with a dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Dancing activities will follow.

For ticket information, call (605) 665-4811.

## Aldern Exhibit At Vermillion Studio

VERMILLION — The works of the late Robert Aldern will be on display at LumoStudios & Gallery, 2 E. Main St., Vermillion, through Feb. 14.

Aldern was born in 1929 in Sioux Falls. He received a BA from Augustana College, Sioux Falls and BFA from the University of Hartford, Hartford School of Art, Hartford, Conn. During the 1970s, he was Chair of the Fine Arts Department at USD, and in the 1980s to 2010, he was chair & faculty of Fine Arts at Augustana. He worked as an Artist-in-residence at the Center for Liturgical Art at Augustana College until his death. Throughout his career, Aldern received numerous awards for his art and is listed in "Who's Who in America."

Works are available for purchase.

For more information, call 605-624-9222 or 605-670-2588, or email [lumostudios@gmail.com/](mailto:lumostudios@gmail.com/).

## 'Her Voice' Seeks Freelance Writers

The *Press & Dakotan* is seeking freelance writers for our women's magazine, "Her Voice."

The position requires you to generate compelling ideas appropriate for "Her Voice" and its audience, conduct interviews and write feature-length stories. This is not a staff position so you must have your own equipment.

If interested, submit 2-3 story ideas, at least two writing samples and contact information to: Micki Schievelbein, 319 Walnut St., Yankton, SD 57078 or e-mail to [micki.schievelbein@yankton.net](mailto:micki.schievelbein@yankton.net).

## The Book Shelf

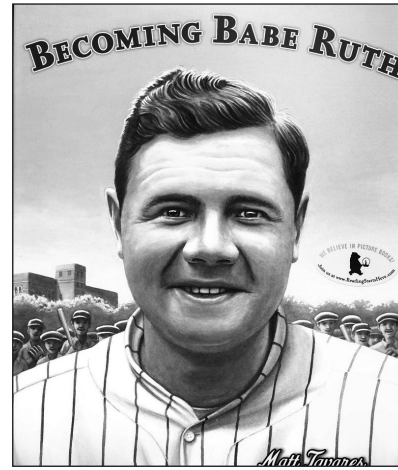
# 'Babe Ruth' Hits A Homer

"Becoming Babe Ruth," by Matt Tavares, Candlewick Press, 2013. 40 pages.

BY PAT HANSEN

What kid hasn't dreamed of playing pro sports when he or she grows up? But it's a pretty good bet that a boy named George Ruth never ever thought about playing sports when he was young. In fact, it's 1902, and George is on his way to a future in jail. He skips school. He roams the streets. He steals tomatoes and throws them at the horses and wagons going past. He steals money from the cash register in the saloon.

Finally, when he's 7 years old, his parents decide to take him to the Saint Mary's Industrial School for Boys. Maybe they can straighten out George. The boys call themselves inmates even though they're not prisoners. They have lots of rules: Get up at 6 a.m. sharp. Get dressed. Go to church. Eat breakfast. Go to class. George doesn't like the rules and he misses his family. But he does like one thing. The boys



get to play baseball almost every day. When Brother Matthias picks up the bat he sends the ball soaring high above the Big Yard, over and over and over. George has never seen anything like it. Brother Matthias takes George under his wing and teaches him how to play baseball-curve balls, double plays, picking off a runner. Before long, the boys back up when George is going to

hit. He hits the ball way over the Big Yard. Word spreads. Soon crowds of people are coming to watch George play, including the owner of the Baltimore Orioles, who offers George a contract on the spot.

His teammates start calling this young kid Babe, and the name sticks. Babe Ruth quickly becomes a huge celebrity.

But bad news dampens his happiness—a fire has destroyed almost every building at Saint Mary's Industrial School for boys. Now Babe shows what kind of a man he has become. He brings the school band from St. Mary's on the road with his team. Before each game, they play a concert in the stands. People donate money to help rebuild St. Mary's.

This picture book is for ages 5 to 8, but it's an enjoyable book for everyone. It's a gentle, easy read, but yet very interesting. I'm sports-challenged but I learned way more about Babe Ruth than I ever knew.

So take a swing at this book. It's a home run.

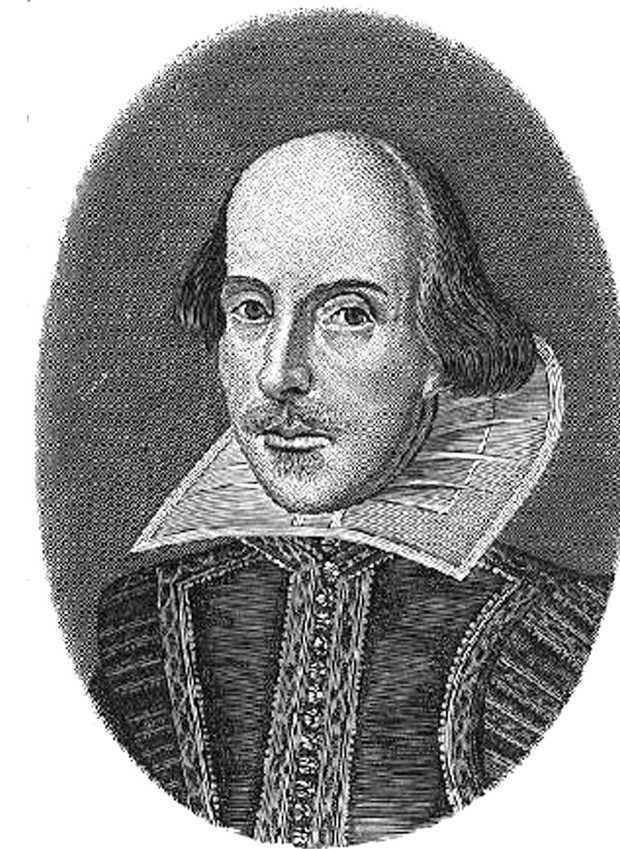
## Performers Being Sought For State Shakespeare Festival

VERMILLION — The South Dakota Shakespeare Festival seeks non-Equity performers for its second outdoor season of free Shakespeare in Vermillion's Prentis Park. The Festival seeks professional actors, actor/musicians and teaching artists from the Great Plains region and nationally to form an ensemble-based Shakespeare company for a four-week contract in Vermillion.

All positions are paid. Actors coming from out of town will be eligible for local housing and a travel stipend.

The festival will present "Taming of the Shrew" at the Prentis Park in Vermillion June 13-15. Rehearsals begin May 19.

Local auditions will be held Saturday, Feb. 1, from 1-4 p.m. at Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on the University of South Dakota campus, in Vermillion, South Dakota. Sign up on the callboard at USD Theatre, call (605) 622-0423, or e-mail [Chaya.Gordon-Bland@sds-shakespearefestival.org](mailto:Chaya.Gordon-Bland@sds-shakespearefestival.org) to schedule an appointment. Please prepare one or two contrasting Shakespeare



monologues. Musicians should prepare a brief song. Bring a picture and resume. Callbacks will be held at USD Feb. 2, by appointment.

For more information about the South Dakota Shakespeare Festival, visit [www.sds-shakespearefestival.org/](http://www.sds-shakespearefestival.org/).

## Library Program As Kids' Website

The "South Dakota Titles To Go..." collaborative for public libraries has expanded its services with a new kid's website. This separate site provides safe, easy browsing of children's eBooks and audio books. Kids can browse a wide variety of subjects. The site also allows them to match their reading level and interests with available books.

This new service, powered by OverDrive and facilitated by the South Dakota State Library, is free for users with a library card at the Yankton Community Library and other participating public libraries.

"South Dakota Titles to Go..." provides library patrons with the ability to download audio books and eBooks. It has grown to a collection of more than 10,000 digital titles for children and adults. Digital titles can be accessed anytime, anywhere there is internet access. Audio book and eBook loans

## Tot Time Yoga To Be Offered At Library

The Yankton Community Library is presenting a new program for toddlers ages 2-4 and their parents or caregivers. Tot Time Yoga will be available for tots to attend on Wednesdays from 1:30-2 p.m., for an eight-week period. The class begins on Feb. 5. The class is free but preregistration is required and limited to 12.

You may preregister by calling 668-5276 or stopping by the library, 515 Walnut Street.

Tot time Yoga is a cooperative effort between the Yankton Community Library and the Summit Activities Center. The class will be taught by yoga instructor Rebecca Johnson.

Kids will have fun through movement while developing body awareness, balance, coordination, and relaxation techniques.

The class will be held at the library, 515 Walnut Street. Parents or caregivers must attend with the child and are asked to bring a blanket or beach towel to place on the floor.

For additional information, call 668-5276.

expire automatically with no late fees.

Do you or your child want to get started reading eBooks? All you need is your eReader, an internet connection, and a library card. Stop

by the library, 515 Walnut Street, and we'll help you get started.

For additional information, call 668-5275.

## Think Spring: Community Garden Plot Reservations To Start Soon

The Healthy Yankton Community Garden invites returning gardeners still wishing to reserve garden plots to make reservations as soon as possible. Contact Angie O'Connor, at 605-668-8590 by Feb. 10.

If you wish to reserve your plots, it is important that we hear from you before Feb. 10 to keep your current plots or before Feb. 28 if you wish to swap any of your plots. If you have any further questions, call 668-8590 or email: [healthyankton@gmail.com](mailto:healthyankton@gmail.com).

New gardeners have their chance to purchase plots on Monday, March 3, at the Physicians Office Pavilion Avera Sacred Heart Hospital,

located at 501 Summit in Yankton. This meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. and is for all NEW gardeners to learn more about the Community Garden and for new gardeners to make garden spot reservations.

Gardeners are limited to two plots per household; additional plots may become available after early season garden registration. Garden plots will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Garden plots are approximately 12 feet by 18 feet. The registration fee is \$20 per plot. The garden is tentatively scheduled for opening in mid to late April, depending on weather conditions.

The Community Garden is located along Yankton's West

City Limits Road, on the Marne Creek West City Park, which shares a parking lot with the Dog Park.

Anyone having questions about the Healthy Yankton Community Garden should contact O'Connor.

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