New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- And Then She Was Gone by Rosalind Noonan; Fiction • Bingo's Run by James A. Levine; Fiction
- The Bird Skinner by Alice Greenway; Fiction
 Dead to Me by Cath Staincliffe; Fiction
- The Death Trade by Jack Higgins; Fiction
- Fear Nothing by Lisa Gardner; Fiction
 For Today I Am A Boy by Kim Fu; Fiction
- From the Dead by Mark Billingham; Fiction
- Hazardous Duty by W.E.B. Griffin & William E. Butter-
- The Hot Country by Robert Olen Butler; Fiction
- In the Blood by Lisa Unger.; Nonfiction The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd; Fiction
- The Last Dead Girl by Harry Dolan; Fiction
 Mercy Snow by Tiffany Baker; Fiction
- Perfect by Rachel Joyce; Fiction
- The Polaris Protocol by Brad Taylor; Fiction
- Reckless Love by Elizabeth Lowell; Fiction
 Red 1-2-3 by John Katzenbach; Fiction
- River Road by Jane Ann Krentz; Fiction
- The Secret of Magic by Deborah Johnson; Fiction • Standup Guy by Stuart Woods; Fiction
- The Star of Istanbul by Robert Olen Butler; Fiction • The Wind Is Not a River by Brian Payton; Fiction
- Worthy Brown's Daughter by Phillip Margolin; Fic-
- Break Out! by Joel Osteen; Nonfiction
 The Death Class by Erika Hayasaki; Nonfiction
- Decoding Your Dog; Nonfiction Duty by Robert M. Gates; Nonfiction
 French Women Don't Get Facelifts by Mireille Guil-
- Lost Drag Strips by Tommy Lee Byrd; Nonfiction
- Love & War by Mary Matalin & James Carville; Nonfic-
- Miracles and Massacres by Glenn Beck; Nonfiction • Orange is the New Black by Piper Kerman; Nonfiction
- **Philomena** by Martin Sixsmith; Nonfiction • The Trip to Echo Spring by Olivia Laing; Nonfiction • Walking with God through Pain and Suffering by
- Timothy Keller; Fiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- Hunted by Karen Robards; Nonfiction
- Stranger in the Room by Amanda Kyle Williams; Fic-
- The Stranger You Seek by Amanda Kyle Williams; Fic-
 - Five Days at Memorial by Sheri Fink; Nonfiction

ADULT DVDS

• Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters

Real Steel

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS • Hollow City by Ransom Riggs; Fiction

• First Love by James Patterson & Emily Raymond; Fic-

FAMILY DVD

• Khumba

MMC Homecoming Festivities Slated

Mount Marty College will celebrate the 2013-14 homecoming festivities during the week of Feb. 2-8. The homecoming theme is Mount Marty Gras.

- Special student events include:
- Super Bowl Pre-Game BINGO Sunday at 2 p.m.;
- Free Ice Skating Monday at 9:30 p.m.;
 Dueling Pianos Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Cyber Café
 Amazing Race Wednesday at 7 p.m.;
- Dodgeball Tournament Thursday at 8 p.m.;
 Homecoming Formal at Hillcrest Country Club Sat-
- urday at 10 p.m.

The public is welcome to attend:

- Homecoming Royalty Coronation Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Marian Auditorium
- "Jam the Stands" men's and women's basketball games vs. Hastings College — Saturday at 2 p.m. and 4

For more information on Mount Marty College homecoming activities, contact Student Activities Director, John Bennett at john.bennett@mtmc.edu or 605-668-1302.

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.

Whitely, who graduated from Yankton High School in 2011, is currently studying social work at the University of

For further information, contact the library at 668-5276.

Poetry Event Set For Vermillion Library

VERMILLION — The Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library will present "Environmental Poetry by Norma Wilson" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the Kozak Community

This event is part of the ongoing "Artists & Authors" series and will feature the work of Vermillion poet author and USD Professor Emeritus, Norma Wilson as she reads and discusses poetry from a recent book "Under the Rainbow." Also featured will be the collaborative work with Vermillion visual artist, Nancy Losacker, who will also be sharing the evening, as they present images and text from their exhibition, "Rivers, Wings and Sky," for which they received a South Dakota Arts Council grant.

Copies of Norma Wilson's books will be available for

sale and signing at the event. The Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library is located at 18 Church Street in Vermillion. For more information call the Library at 605-677-7060.

'Heart To Heart' Fundraiser 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.

'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.

The Bookworm

Reset' Really Does The Job

"Reset: How to Beat the Job-Loss Blues and Get Ready for Your Next Act" by Dwain Schenck; © 2014, Da Capo Lifelong; 242 pages.

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

You haven't had to hit the alarm for quite a few months now.

You haven't had a whole lot of reason to look presentable, either; sweats and tees are just fine. You're not even sure your office attire fits anymore.

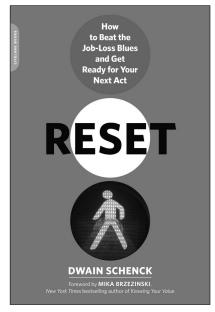
Retired? You wish it were that simple. No, you've been downsized, laid off, fired, let go, and it's starting to wear on you. But after you've read "Reset: How to Beat the Job-Loss Blues and Get Ready for Your Next Act" by Dwain Schenck, you might be inspired to hit the streets again.

Dwain Schenck was part of an inherited staff.

(You know where this is going.) He'd been hired for a job he loved by a man for whom he truly enjoyed working. When that guy left, the woman who took over was amazing. She let Schenck interview the man who would eventually become his third boss, the guy who made Schenck uncomfortable and who ultimately let him go.

At first, Schenck was filled with "fake bliss." He was "too good for [that] company anyhow" and he figured it wouldn't take him long to find a job. He had a few months' severance, great ideas, and tons of experience. He'd be fine.

But as the weeks passed, it became



apparent that the search wouldn't be easy at all. Schenck went on interviews that seemed to go well, only to end in silence. He endured "courtesy interviews" set up by former colleagues and contacts, in which it quickly became apparent that there was no job to be had. He obsessively searched online and even applied for positions for which he was extremely overqualified. The lack of job-hunting success made Schenck depressed and his family life suffered.

Through this experience, though, Schenck learned several things, and he shares the advice he discovered: Upgrade your resume and "make sure [it] doesn't read like an obituary ..." then utilize the internet (including LinkedIn) by tweaking it to maximize search engines. Become a "networking machine." Be "transparent" about your age and experience, have a strategy for all interviews, and practice what you'll say before you leave the house. Send thankyou notes following interviews. Be re-

And finally, "Don't go it alone," says Schenck. That's the worst mistake you can make.

At the risk of being a spoiler, I should tell you that "Reset" ends on a nice up-note... but wow, is it harrowing to get to that point.

Author Dwain Schenck gives readers his story, warts and all. We're privy to the embarrassments, the aggravations, the outrageousness, the highs, and the bottom-of-the-barrel moments including envy and consuming bitterness. The ferocity of the latter is quite disquieting, but not without reason; Schenck's experiences as a job-hunter were often soulcrushing and, sadly, common — and on that note alone, his book offers lessons and tips all around.

Definitely, this is a book for job-seekers but there's plenty here for upper management, CEOs, and anyone along the job spectrum who knows that, well, you never know. If that's you, then "Reset" is a book to hit.

Piano-Duo Concert Slated For USD Monday

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota Department of Music will present a duo-piano music concert, "Dr. C & Mr. P: Dance Music — and Other Stuff," featuring Linda Christensen, Ph.D., and Philip Pfaltzgraff at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, at Colton Recital Hall in the Warren M. Lee Center for

The "dance music" portion of the program includes a reel, a hop jig, a tango and several waltzes, including a set of six compositions written by Joan Trimble, a 20th century composer from Northern Ireland. Other compositions featured are "Rapsodie des Pyrenees" (by Eugenie Rocherolle), "Pas de deux" (from a set of "Souvenirs" by Samuel Barber) and "Libertango" (by Astor Piazzolla). The final large piece of the concert is a set of three waltzes and includes three songs from Walt Disney movies.

Christensen teaches applied piano, group piano, and music technology at Wayne State

College. She received a B.A. from Weber State University, an M.M. in piano performance and pedagogy from Southern Methodist University, and a Ph.D. in music education/piano pedagogy from the University of Oklahoma. She is president of the Nebraska Music Teachers Association and serves on committees for MTNA and the National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy. Pfaltzgraff is in his sixth year as the staff accompanist at Wayne State College where he teaches piano lessons, teaches one section of Topics in Music (a general education course), and plays the piano for all of the choral ensembles on campus. He also performs with the biennial campus-wide musical theatre production, and accompanies all student and faculty soloists in recitals. Pfaltzgraff received a bachelor of music education from Westmar College, a master of music in organ performance and a master of music in music education from Central Michigan.

'Get Up And Play' Weekend Feb. 14-17

The Yankton Parks and Recreation Department announced Friday, Feb. 14, through Monday, Feb. 17, as Summit Activities Center "Get Up and Play" weekend four days of fun and inexpensive activities for the whole family.

The Yankton Parks and Recreation Department and Summit Activities Center encourages everyone in the Yankton area to

"Get Up and Play" on this weekend. A full schedule of activities can be found at: the City website:

http://cityofyankton.org/, the Yankton Parks and Recreation Facebook page or pick up a flyer at the Summit Activities Center.

For more information on the weekend of activities, contact the Summit Activities Center at 668-5234.

MMC's Pratt Fares Well At Fellowship Competition

Mount Marty College freshman theatre major Catherine Pratt finished in the Runner-Up position as part of the National Stage Management Fellowship competition in the Region V Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival held on the campus of University of Nebraska-Lincoln Jan. 19-25.

Pratt was one of 27 participants in the challenge, and the only freshman level student in the competition.

The challenge is based on the following criteria: professionalism and completeness of the prompt script and other paperwork; effectiveness of coordinating and managing a festival event, based on the respondent's feedback from the regional event coordinator; personal demeanor and communication skills based on a series of interviews; and written material submitted prior to the region festival.

Ms. Pratt presented materials from her recent Stage Manager duties with MMC Theatre's fall musical, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee." She is now currently stage managing MMC Theatre's production of

'Tartuffe" set to open Feb. 27. Ms. Pratt is from Le Mars, Iowa and the daughter of Kevin and

Yankton Library

Chase Away Winter Blues At Library

BY KATHY JACOBS

Yankton Community Library

Are you traveling and need information on vacation destinations? Do you need "beach reads" or materials for the plane or car? Or, are sitting home by the fire and in need of reading, listening or viewing materials? Look no further than the Yankton Community Library. We have just what you need to chase away those winter blues!

Perhaps you are already looking forward to warmer days when you can begin planting your garden, adding to your landscaping or planting a few trees. We have just what you need at the library to assist you in learning what plants are best suited to our climate and soil and what will look best in a particular area of your yard. The library is a great source for all of your gardening and landscaping needs.

Story time and lap sit are under way. Story time meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. Lap sit meets Mondays from 11:30-11:55 a.m. Programs include stories, music, rhymes and finger plays. Infants to preschoolers won't want to miss these programs. A new program, Tot Time

Yoga, begins on Wednesday, Feb. 5, from 1:15-1:40 p.m. SAC yoga instructor Rebecca Johnson will facilitate the sessions. Care givers are required to attend with their 2-4 year-olds. Registration is Join us for the following after school movies: "Cloudy

with a Chance of Meatballs

II" on Feb. 6, "Beauty and the

Beast" on Feb. 13, 'Beethoven" on Feb. 20 and "The Lion King" on Feb. 27. Movies begin at 3:45 p.m.

Middle school activities include craft time on Tuesdays, board games on Wednesdays, and Wii on Fridays. All programs begin at 3:30 p.m.

The library is hosting

community focus groups to gather input for a new strategic plan. The areas of discussion will be the library's services, programs, collection, technology, and facility. These sessions are designed to allow community members an opportunity to express opinions about our current library and areas of focus for the future. Each session will take one hour. The focus groups are set for the following dates and

• Tuesday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m. • Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2

• Thursday, Feb. 6, 6 p.m.

There will be online and paper surveys to complete during the weeks of Feb. 3 and Feb. 10. To complete the survey, go to http://ycllib.sdln.net or visit the library.

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and author Sara Watt Whitley will present two sessions at the library, 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 became a writer. At 6:30, Whitley will discuss progress on her third book, "A New Day Dawning," as well as sell and sign books.

On Thursday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p.m., Maxine Schuurmans Kinsley will talk on her recently published book "Pioneer Churches & Cemeteries of Yankton County." Kinslev will also have books available.

The library will participate in Healthy Yankton by offering Wii sports on Monday, Feb. 17, from 2-4 p.m. People of all ages are invited to participate and check out our books and DVDs on all forms of exercise, healthy eating and healthy lifestyles.

Readers Anonymous will discuss William P. Young's "The Shack" on Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. This club, which is open to new members, meets the second Tuesday of each month. Between the Lines book

club will discuss "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 5:30 p.m. This book club, which meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m., is open to new members as In January, we collected

95 cans of fruit for Food for Fines. We will collect tuna and Tuna Helper Feb. 1-10, with all donations going to the Contact Center. The LifeServe Blood Cen-

ter is here for a donation drive on Friday, Feb. 21, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. You can schedule an appointment online at www.lifeservebloodcenter.or

g or call 800-287-4903. The Yankton Community Library Foundation, Inc. held its annual meeting in January. Officers for 2014 are Carol Hamvas, President; Sharon Koller, Vice President/President Elect; Lori Rust, Secretary; and Blaine Meier, Treasurer. The Foundation is set up to take tax deductible donations. For more information, contact Li-

brary Director Kathy Jacobs. Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, Feb. 1, from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Friends is happy to accept gently used books for their sales.

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 2012, a total of 78,509 adult books were checked out by patrons!

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