

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **The Barefoot Queen** by Ildelfonso Falcones; Fiction
- **Freedom** by S. A. Wolfe; Fiction
- **The Girls at the Kingfisher Club** by Genevieve Valentine; Fiction
- **Hang Wire** by Adam Christopher; Fiction
- **An Untamed State** by Roxane Gay; Fiction
- **The Voices** by F. R. Tallis; Fiction
- **Archery: Steps to Success** by Haywood & Lewis; Non-fiction
- **The Art of Whimsical Lettering** by Joanne Sharpe; Nonfiction
- **Being Miss America** by Kate Shindle; Nonfiction
- **Choose Your Own Autobiography** by Neil Patrick Harris; Nonfiction
- **The Furniture Bible** by Christophe Pourny; Nonfiction
- **Navy Seals** by Dick Couch & William Doyle; Nonfiction
- **Quilting with a Modern Slant** by Rachel May; Nonfiction
- **Secret Lives of the Tsars** by Michael Farquhar; Nonfiction
- **Star Wars Art: Posters**; Nonfiction
- **200 Surefire Ways to Eat Well & Feel Better** by Dr. Judith Rodriguez; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **Bittersweet** by Colleen McCullough; Fiction
- **The Children Act** by Ian McEwan; Fiction
- **The Cinderella Murder** by Mary Higgins Clark & Alafair Burke; Fiction
- **Desert God** by Wilbur Smith; Fiction
- **Fahrenheit 451** by Ray Bradbury; Fiction
- **Full Measure** by T. Jefferson Parker; Fiction
- **An Italian Wife** by Ann Hood; Fiction
- **One Plus One** by Jojo Moyes; Fiction
- **Vanishing Acts** by Jodi Picoult; Fiction
- **Woman with a Gun** by Phillip Margolin; Fiction

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **The Quantum League: Spell Robbers** by Matthew J. Kirby; Fiction

JUNIOR AUDIO BOOK

- **Counting by 7s** by Holly Goldberg Sloan; Fiction

'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/.

Movie Weekend Set At Yankton Library

Join the staff of the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street, for a weekend at the movies Jan. 3-4. The feature presentations comprise the "The Lord of the Rings" film trilogy.

Based on the books by J. R. R. Tolkien, the trilogy takes us on a journey with Frodo and friends to destroy the legendary One Ring. Although the Fellowship breaks along the way, Frodo and Sam continue on their quest and the final battle of Middle-earth is waged.

On Saturday, Jan. 3, "The Fellowship of the Ring" begins at 10 a.m. At 2 p.m., come for "The Two Towers." On Sunday, Jan. 4, the trilogy wraps up with "The Return of the King," which begins at 2 p.m. All movies are rated PG-13.

This new program takes place the first and third weekends of every month and is free of charge. For further information, contact the library at 668-5276.

Winter/Spring Story Times At Library

The Winter/Spring story time sessions at the Yankton Community Library begin on Monday, Jan. 5.

Preschool story times for ages 3-5 are on Mondays at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. Stories, rhymes, music and movement, and a craft fill each 30-35 minute session. A new feature of preschool story time this year is the addition of Junior LEGO Club. The Friends of the Library provided money to purchase DUPLO blocks and the children are invited to stay after story time to build with the blocks until noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Toddler story time begins on Jan. 6 is held on Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. This is for ages 1-3 with a parent or adult caregiver. Older and younger siblings are welcome. Short books, rhymes, finger plays, flannel board activities, music, and movement are included in the 25-30 minute sessions.

These programs are free, but registration is required. You can register your child by stopping at the library or by contacting youth services librarian, Joyce Moore, at 605-668-5276 or e-mailing her at jmoore@cityofyankton.org.

Area Writer's Club To Meet Jan. 12

The Yankton Area Writer's Club Meeting will hold its meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the Fry'n Pan Restaurant, 502 West 21st St, Yankton.

From published authors to hobbyists, from pro to amateur, the Yankton Area Writer's Club is comprised of people in Yankton, South Dakota, and the surrounding area, who have a passion for writing and a desire to help aspiring writers by offering readings, critiques, conferences and monthly lessons.

Meetings are open to all ages, and there are no dues. The club meets the second Monday of every month (the third Monday if the second falls on a holiday).

For more information, contact Nancy Burk at 605-664-6582 or info@yanktonwriters.com, or visit <http://yanktonwriters.com/>.

Lange To Present Benefit Concert

CROFTON, Neb. — Father Tim Lange will present a benefit piano concert for St. Rose of Lima Catholic School at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, at the St. Rose Parish Center in Crofton, Neb.

Lange, who is retired and lives in Yankton, has issued a \$10,000 challenge: He will match every dollar raised with the concert up to \$10,000.

Should you be unable to attend the concert, you may send your matching challenge donation to: FR. TIM Matching Challenge, St. Rose Parish/School, 1316 W 5th, Crofton, NE 68730 or phone the parish office at 402 388 4814.

'Gourmet Guys' Tickets Are Now On Sale

Gourmet Guy tickets are now available at the Yankton Community Library and Hy-Vee. This event, hosted by the Friends of the Yankton Community Library, is in its seventh year, and takes place at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24. It's an evening of great food, relaxing music, socializing and fun.

This year's "Guys" are Andy Bryan, Shane Gerlach, David Leonard, Wendell Darric Mortenson, Todd Rothenberger and Bruce Viau. All are returning chefs and have proven that they are up to the task of providing luscious samples of their cuisine.

Bill Chase and Friends will once again provide dinner music. Friends' "project" this year is puppets for the children's area in the library.

Tickets are available at the Hy-Vee customer service counter and the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street. For more details, contact the library at 668-5276.

The Bookworm ... For Kids

'Rags' Is A Rich War Story

"Rags: Hero Dog of WWI: A True Story" by Margot Theis Raven, illustrated by Petra Brown; © 2014, Sleeping Bear Press. 32 pages.

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

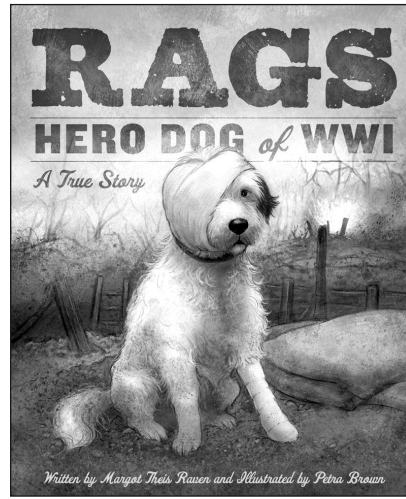
Ask anybody. Ask your family, your friends, and they'll tell you that your dog is pretty wonderful. They've seen his tricks. They know how well-behaved he is, how he protects you and how he makes you laugh. Your lives are richer because of your dog.

He tries to go everywhere with you — but would he go to war? In the book "Rags: Hero Dog of WWI" by Margot Theis Raven, illustrated by Petra Brown, you'll read the story of one dog who did.

It was a hot July night during World War I when Private James Donovan met his best friend.

The sirens were blaring all evening, which told the people of Paris that they needed to extinguish their lights and make their streets dark so they wouldn't be seen by enemy planes. Donovan was blindly trying to find his way around the city when he stepped on the paw of a dirty white dog. "YIKES!"

Donovan scooped up the pup, who had never been held before. He'd never even had a friend, but he liked this soldier. And Donovan liked the dog; in fact,



when a policeman stopped them, Donovan said the dog belonged to the U.S. Army! He made up a name for the pooch on the spot: First Division Rags.

Fortunately, Donovan's commander wasn't mad. He liked Rags, and said that Donovan could keep him. And so, when Donovan was sent to battle, Rags insisted on going with him.

That was a very good thing, too. Rags worked hard at keeping rats and mice away from the soldiers. He acted as an early-warning system for incoming shells; when he fell "belly-to-dirt," so did the sol-

diers. He sniffed out wires and carried messages across enemy lines, which was very dangerous.

Soon, everyone knew about Rags. He was "a giant of a dog."

But even giants can be hurt, and so can their humans. On October 9, 1918, Rags and Donovan were both shell-struck in a major battle. Rags lost the hearing in one ear, the sight in one eye, and his leg was injured.

"But Rags was alive and with his Donovan."

I can't bear to tell you how this book ends. I just can't, except to say that you'll want to beware if your child is sensitive. Yes, "Rags: Hero Dog of WWI" is potentially a very emotional book.

And yet — it's hard to put aside a story of the heroism of a rescue dog in the face of incredible danger. Author Margot Theis Raven tells it with heart, gentle humor, and the kind of excitement that comes with battle but she doesn't overtell it, which should help put parents' minds to rest. And the illustrations by Petra Brown...? They only enhance this book.

Still, this is a brave-but-sad tale with an epilogue that may make your sensitive reader feel better, though I'd recommend reading it first yourself before giving it to your 6-to-10-year-old. If care is needed and it's presented properly, "Rags: Hero Dog of WWI" is truly a story of riches.

Art Forms

A Look Back And A Look Ahead

BY JULIE J. AMSBERRY

Yankton Area Arts



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As I reflect on the last few weeks at Yankton Area Arts, I am incredibly grateful for so many things.

Our annual holiday shopping boutique, Crimson Door, and the annual Tour of Homes were extraordinarily successful this year! I would like to extend a special thank you to our chairpersons Donna Ellis, Lori Ibarolle, Kathie Gerstner and Lori Rothenberger for their endless hours dedicated volunteering to make both events a huge success! They weren't alone in extending expertise and wisdom to these events as we had a team of angels willing to donate countless hours and endless energy to the success of both events which further promote arts programming in Yankton. I am so grateful for your time, wisdom and guidance the past few months! The biggest thank you of all goes to the community of Yankton! Thank you for your support of area artists and arts programming in Yankton! Your generosity this season will greatly impact our goals this next year! (Congratulations to Patty Madison, the winner of our raffle for a replica of the Tuckered Out Guardian Angel statue!)

And now we look forward to 2015 and many exciting events on the docket. First up, we have an exhibit by local artist and Yankton educator Janet Morrow titled "Tomorrow's Keepsakes" featuring her style of personalized drawings of loved ones, pets, and special places rendered from photographs. While attending Northern State University, Janet double majored in Elementary and Special Education with a concentration in art. She has always loved drawing with graphite and includes weekly art lessons in her classroom at Beadle Elementary. The exhibit opens on Friday, Jan. 16 and runs through March 3 with a gallery talk and reception on Friday, Feb. 6 from 5-7 p.m. All exhibits are free and open to the public.

As we plan for the New Year, one of our many goals is to continue to expand and develop our Kids Studio class,

"How Art Works." These classes are open to grades 1-6 students in the Yankton area and are designed to teach them the fundamental art concepts of line, balance, texture, unity, focal point, movement, and contrast through exploratory drawing and painting techniques. Classes for this year begin Jan. 27 and run through February. Flyers were sent home to students before our winter break. Now entering our third year, we've identified a Wish List for materials and equipment that would allow our instructors (Sue Hill and Jessi Koch) to teach more effectively and efficiently. They can cover more material in a shorter amount of time and even reduce the amount of supplies we go through! You can help by visiting our wish list and making a donation online at: <http://www.dickblick.com/list/s/wishlist/6H6DS4PGYITVM/p/ublicview/>. You can also follow a link on our website or Facebook page. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Also continuing this year is Art Adventure. Our retired teacher cohort has been busy planning art lesson plans for elementary students. They are excited, inspired, and eager to get into the classrooms of the generous teach-

ers who are dedicated to bringing the arts to their students!

Our Annual Membership Meeting is coming up on Monday, Jan. 26, at the G.A.R. Hall at 5:30 p.m. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Finally, preparations for 2015 Summer Arts Festival begin this week! Please visit our website if you are a vendor interested in participating in this year's festival Aug. 21-23!

As YAA continues to grow and increase its impact, I'm looking forward to all the excitement 2015 has in store for us, and I can't thank you enough for your support of Yankton Area Arts! For more information on events and happenings at YAA please visit our website at www.YanktonAreaArts.org.

Yankton Area Arts is a non-profit arts organization located at 508 Douglas Avenue in Yankton. The G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery is open to the public free of charge from 1-5 p.m. weekdays and from 1-3 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call the YAA office at (605) 665-9754 or email yaa@iw.net.

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70. "Avengers: The Age of Ultron" will make HOW much money?

71. This isn't a prediction so much as a what-if scenario: Joe Glenn will not survive another two-win football season at USD.

72. Taylor Swift will make a comment poking fun at North Korea. Within three days, her personal website and social media accounts will be hacked. Swift will write a song about it. With that, the war is on ...

73. The Motion Picture Academy will consider creating an Oscar category for Best Movie Trailer. And it's about time!

74. Me-TV will turn up somewhere again eventually ... won't it?

75. Chicago Cubs fans will believe this is "the year."

76. This will still not be "the year" for the Chicago Cubs.

77. There's a sequel in the works!

78. "Frozen" will go back to being the meteorological description for South Dakota's long-term winter forecast.

79. The 114th Congress, in an effort to get young people interested in government, will release a number of books aimed at children, including titles such as

"Pokémon Red & Blue States," "The Three Little Branches of Government," "Mr. Bieber Goes to Washington" and "My Little Representative: Congress is Magic."

80. Riverboat Days will feature actual, old-timey riverboats.

81. The Crofton girls' basketball, track and field and cross country teams all will repeat as state champions.

82. Despite performing a rousing cover of Idina Menzel's "Let It Go" during his inauguration party, Sen. Mike Rounds will still be followed by questions about the EB-5 program.

83. The Yankton Bucks win a first-round game at the South Dakota State Class AA Boys' Basketball Tournament.

84. Tim Tebow's name will be thrown around for an

open quarterback position.

85. Brett Favre's name will be thrown around for an open quarterback position.

86. "Fifty Shades of Grey" will be hailed as Oscar material.

87. *Press & Dakotan* assistant sports editor Jeremy Hoeck will finally get around to making the music video he talks about making so much.

88. The Keystone XL pipeline will be built on the condition that, instead of carrying oil, it will carry Keystone Light between Canada and Texas.

89. The USD men's basketball team is going to surprise a few people this winter.

90. The New York Jets first pick in the 2015 NFL Draft will be booed by Jets fans.

91. The GOP will accuse President Obama of a litany of ludicrous things, including the Cleveland Browns' 1995 move to Baltimore, the botched response to Hurricane Katrina, selling drugs, buying drugs, being the triggerman who shot J.R. Ewing, being a part of the local Fight Club, orchestrating Fight Club, talking about Fight Club, the San Diego Chargers' picking of Ryan Leaf, rigging the 1960 elec-

tion, writing cheap erotic novels, forgetting their birthdays, being behind the Chicago Cubs' championship drought and whatever their imagination can think up.

92. Only some of those things will be true.

93. There's no ducking it: Oregon will win the college football national title.

94. Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren will anger Wall Street.

95. Tea Party Republicans will anger Wall Street.

96. Endora will not be a popular name for newborn girls.

97. The Twitter battle between @FauxPelini and @FakeJoeGlenn prior to former Nebraska head coach and current Youngstown State head coach Bo Pelini's Missouri Valley Football Conference debut on Oct. 4 at South Dakota will be epic.

98. Kentucky will win the NCAA men's basketball title, but it won't be quite as easy it would seem on paper.

99. It will be a bad year for science. Let's just leave it at that.

100. One of your prayers will be answered. The answer will be no.

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