

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- Blood & Beauty by Sarah Dunant; Fiction • The English Girl by Daniel Silva; Fiction
- First Sight by Danielle Steel; Fiction
- Hunting Eve by Iris Johansen; Fiction
- **Stranded** by Alex Kava; Fiction
- Farmhouse Revival by Steve Gross & Susan Daley; Nonfiction
- **Last Hours on Everest** by Graham Hoyland;
- The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- A Fever in the Heart by Ann Rule; Fiction The Man from Stone Creek by Linda Lael Miller;
- Only Time Will Tell by Jeffrey Archer; Fiction
 The Ophelia Cut by John Lescroart; Fiction
- Running Blind by Lee Child; Fiction • Turning Angel by Greg Iles; Fiction

ADULT DVD

Breaking Bad, seasons 1-5The Amish; Nonfiction

EASY BOOKS

- Dinosaurs for Breakfast by Amy J. Lemke; Fiction • Forget-Me-Not Fairies by Musgrove & MacCarthy;
- Princess Sophia Gets Scared by Molly Martin: Fiction • David's Journey by David Jal & Laura K. Jacobs; Nonfiction
- Football ABC by Mark Weakland; Nonfiction
 Football Frenzy by Sarah L. Schuette; Nonfiction
- **Hockey Scramble** by Sarah L. Schuette; Nonfiction Look Inside a Burrow by Richard Spilsbury;

'Swedish Cleaning Ladies' At St. James

ST. JAMES, Neb. — The St. James Marketplace in St. James, Neb., is hosting a fun evening on Saturday, July 27. The Swedish Cleaning Ladies will be cleaning up in the main hall of the Marketplace with a comedy presentation

Corlynn Wilbeck and Mary Lou Erickson of Wausa, the Cleaning Ladies, have been entertaining audiences with good fun and lots of laughs for many years. Their program is designed for all who have a good sense of humor (and even those who don't) and love to laugh. They dress in typical 'cleaning lady' attire and speak with a true 'Swedish accent." The two ladies have a firm belief that laughter is good for the soul and contributes greatly to one's longevity. They delight in visiting on a "one to one" basis with their audience.

Don't miss this program if you like to laugh.

Poker Run Benefit For Haggan July 27

There will be an all day benefit for Alexis Haggan at the Rounding 3rd Bar and Casino, Yankton, on Saturday, July

Registration for the poker run is at Kozy's, 43451 Highway 50, from 11 a.m.-noon. The run will be ending at Rounding 3rd, located at 304 West Third.

Other events at Rounding 3rd include a bake sale from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; a jewelry sale (with a percentage of the proceeds donated to the benefit) from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; karaoke at 5-8 p.m. and live music by The Deadbeats at 9 p.m. A fund for Alexis has also been set up at First National

For more information, call 605-689-2811.

Double Poker Runs Slated July 27

Double Poker Runs in memory of David Pederson and Clint VanderPoel will be held Saturday, July 27.

The Memorial Poker Run For David Pederson will start the ice house in rankton, with registration beginning at 11 a.m. and participants leaving at noon. Contributions will benefit the Bangs Cemetery Fund. For more information, contact Randy at 351-5733

Meanwhile, the 2013 Memorial Ride for Clint Vander-Poel will start at the Creamery Bar in Viborg, with registration beginning at 11 a.m. and participants leaving at noon. Contributions from the ride will go to Make A Wish in VanderPoel's memory. For more information, contact Deb at

Both runs will wind up at the Mayfield Bar at approximately 3:30-4 p.m. Activities will include motorcycle rodeo contests, Bean Bag and Scotch Doubles pool tournaments (50 percent payback; registration at 4 p.m. and start at 5 p.m.), a barbecue with beverages and music by Slack Water Jack at approximately 8 p.m. Camping is available at

For more information, contact Stuart Huber at (605) 263-3490 or visit www.facebook.com/MayfieldBar/.

YCTC To Present 'Reluctant Dragon'

The Yankton Children's Theatre Company will present "The Reluctant Dragon" at the Summit Activities Center theatre Aug. 1-4. Showtimes are 7 p.m. Aug. 1-3 and 2 p.m.

This production is produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc.

LAN Party Set For Library Aug. 3

The MHOC 2013 annual LAN Party will be held at the Yankton Community Library on Aug. 3, beginning at 5 p.m. Bring your computer to the library and play some

For more information, visit www.mhoc.net/.

YCTC To Hold Auditions Aug. 3-4

Yankton Children's Theatre Company is holding auditions for "Hydrangea Albright: Comedy or Tragedy" on Aug. 3-4 at the Summit Activities Center theatre. Audition times are 4-5:30 p.m. Aug. 3 and 4-7 p.m. Aug. 4.

A theatre accidentally hires two different playwrights to write a play about Hydrangea Albright, a young girl whose family is cursed with bad luck. One playwright sees her story as a tragedy filled with disappointment and sadness, while the other playwright sees Hydrangea's story as a whimsical comedy in which failure leads to new opportunity. While the playwrights argue, duel with their pens and even rewrite each other's scenes, we meet an array of eccentric characters in this play-within-a-play. The episodic tale starts with a curse created by her great-great-grandfather and works its way through several generations of Albrights. From lightning striking a tuba to a case of uncontrollable hiccups to a tree house destroyed by a piece of the International Space Station, we learn that there's more than one way to react to an unfortunate series of events. With the opportunity for minimalist staging (thanks to the play-within-aplay plot), a structure that allows the characters with the most lines — the narrating playwrights — to keep their lines in front of them and a remarkable female heroine who teaches us a wonderful moral about staying positive and not acting like a victim, you'll quickly become a huge fan of this award-winning playwright.

The play is directed by Rich Wright. The cast calls for children ages 5-18.

For more information, contact Allison Spak at 660-6414 or Wright at 661-6735.

The Book Shelf

'Lost Cities' Is A Glowing Tale

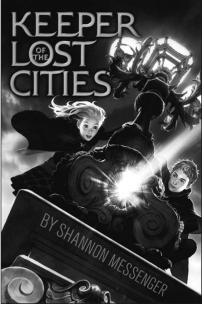
"Keeper of the Lost Cities," by Shannon Messenger, Aladdin (Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division, 2012. 496 pages.

BY PAT HANSEN

High school is tough enough without being a freak, specifically, a 12-year-old senior with a photographic memory. Yet that's not the worst of it for Sophie Foster. No one else knows her biggest secret — she can hear other people's thoughts.

When her class takes a field trip to a museum, she runs into a boy who recognizes her from a front-page newspaper article. As they talk, they realize they both are able, painfully, to hear the shrieking thoughts of a room full of kindergartners. Looking at him in shock, Sophie runs. When he catches up to her, the boy, Fitz, tells her she's not really human, that they've been looking for her for 12 years. He tells her she's an elf.

Of course Sophie doesn't believe the crazy boy until he holds her hand and light-leaps to another land. Sophie can't believe it — a land of glittering crystal palaces and crisp, clean air unlike anything she's ever breathed. When Fitz tells her it's where she belongs, it all feels right somehow. She's never felt like she fit in anywhere, even with her family. And now she finds out they're not really her family.



Fitz keeps his promise and comes back the next day to take her to meet his father. Together they help her realize that she must stay with them for her own safety. No one that she talks to knows why she was placed with humans, or for that matter, who put her with them. And no one knows how or why her mind-reading is so strong. Sophie agrees to stay on the condition that they wipe her out of her parents' memory, so they won't suffer when she disappears.

Going from the top of the class to being the class dummy is a real eyeopener for Sophie. Everything she learned about chemistry and physics is wrong in the elf world. Albert Einstein is just a big idiot to them. Sophie has to buckle down and study harder than she ever has before. If she doesn't pass her classes, she will be forced to leave Foxfire school and go to some unpleasant school. Not everyone is in favor of her being at Firefox, including a very high up member of the government.

If Sophie only had to concentrate on her studies, it would be fine. But she's worried about the fires around her human city and worried about her parents. When she learns the fires may actually be started by an elf intent on wiping out humans, she knows she has to do something. But there are so many unanswered questions about her and about a possible secret underground group that she doesn't know where to

This book is for ages 10 and up. It somewhat copies the Harry Potter premise (human finds out he/she is not a human after all and goes to school to develop his/her skills), but it also has many original elements, too. It would actually be good to read it twice to catch all the details before the sequel comes out later this year. If this first book is any indication, the sequel will be worth reading too.

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Summer Events Still Coming Your Way

BY KATHY JACOBS

Yankton Community Library

Our summer program is over and the Treasure Shoppe will only be open until 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, so you still have a few hours to cash in your book bucks! We had record numbers of children and teens who participated in the reading program this year, with 257 in the Read to Me category, 419 in the Reader category, and 44 teens, for a total of 720 participants. Thanks to all of our donors and volunteers who helped make our program so successful.

We are already planning fall story times, lap sit and toddler time. Story time will begin the week of Sept. 9 with three sessions each week, Mondays at 6:30 p.m.; and Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. All preschool children and their care givers are invited to attend. No registration is required. Lap sit and toddler time will both begin later in the fall.

Watch for further updates.
During Aug. 1-3, the library will hold a donated item sale. We received donations of many issues of Life Magazine from the years 1937 through 1954, most of which are in plastic and in excellent condition. There are also old copies of The Saturday Evening Post, Newsweek, Look and Ladies Home Journal. We are also closing out our VHS tapes and books on tape and those remaining titles will be available. Check out our bargain prices. The sale runs during regular library hours all three days

Author Cleve Walstrom will be at the library on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 4:30 p.m. to talk about his book "Search for the Lost Trail of Crazy Horse." The book comes after many years of research, exploration of the Black Hills and interviews with countless Native Americans and is a culmination of Walstrom's efforts to find the burial site of Crazy Horse. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

On Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 6:30 p.m., we will offer a free "Facebook for Beginners" class. This class will go over the basics of setting up a Facebook account and utilizing some of its key features such as connecting with friends, photo sharing, and using Facebook chat. Children under 18 are welcome to attend but must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. Registration is required.

Two weeks later, on Aug. 27, we will hold a "Pinterest for Beginners" class, at 6:30 p.m. We'll cover setting up a Pinterest account as well as creating pin boards, re-pinning items, and adding new pins. Again, children under 18 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. Registration is required.

The library is hosting the LifeServe Blood Center on Friday, Aug. 16, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Please consider giving the gift of life and register today by calling 800-287-4903 or going online at www.lifeservebloodcenter.org.

Readers Anonymous, our afternoon book club, will discuss Mary McGarry Morris' book "Songs in Ordinary Time" on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 1 p.m. This club, which is open to new members, meets the second Tuesday of each month.

Between the Lines, our evening book club which is also open to new members. meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. On Aug. 20, they will discuss 'The Worst Hard Time" by Timothy Egan.

The library is set to install a new system for both computer usage and printing. All computer users will be required to have a library card in good standing as their barcode will be their username when signing in. Users will be able to reserve computers in advance or, if there are available computers, use one immediately. Every patron will be able to use the computers a maximum of 1 1/2 hours per day. All printing will be controlled through this system as well so that you can choose the computer you are using, select the print, and print only your pages. We are excited to bring this new system to our patrons and feel it will make both computer usage and printing much more user friendly.

We collected 133 containers of ketchup and mustard during our July Food for Fines. We will collect canned fruit Aug. 10-16, with all donations going to the Contact Center.

Please note that the library will be closed on Saturday, Aug. 17, for Riverboat Days. Look for our float in the parade.

Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Friends is always happy to accept gently used books for their sales.

Did you know that in 2012, our half hour computers were used 21,970 times and our one hour computers were used 5,099 times for a total of 27,069 computer

You can contact the library at 605-668-5275 or e-mail me at kjacobs@sdln.net. View us online at http://ycllib.sdln.net visit us on Facebook by searching Yankton Community Library, or follow us on Twitter @ YanktonLibrary.

Pierre Facility To Participate In Blue Star Museums Program

PIERRE — The South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre has announced its participation this summer in the Blue

Star Museums program. Blue Star Museums is a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and more than 1,800 museums across America to offer free admission to all active duty military personnel and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day 2013.

The free-admission program is available to any bearer of a Geneva Convention common access card (CAC), a DD Form 1173 ID card, or a DD Form 1173-1 ID card, which includes active duty U.S. military -Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, as well as members of the National Guard and Reserve, U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, NOAA Commissioned Corps and up to five family members. "We are delighted to partici-

pate in the Blue Star Museums program for the third straight year," commented Jay Smith, director of the Museum of the South Dakota State Historical Society at the Cultural Heritage Center. "It is a great way for us to honor the dedication of those serving in the military as well as the many sacrifices their families make. We hope that many service men and women come visit us at the Cultural Heritage Center and enjoy the exhibits and programs that demonstrate the history and culture of South Dakota.'

Smith added that, also from Memorial Day through Labor Day, the Cultural Heritage Center will be open extended hours for visitors. Museum hours are 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. CDT Monday-Saturday, and 1-4:30 p.m. Sundays and holidays. "Blue Star Museums is col-

laboration between the arts

and military communities," said

NEA Acting Chairman Joan Shigekawa. "Our work with Blue Star Families and with more than 1.800 museums ensures that we can reach out to military families and thank them for their service and sacrifice."

"Blue Star Museums is something that service members and their families look forward to every year and we are thrilled with the continued growth of the program," said Blue Star Families CEO Kathy Roth-Douguet. "Through this distinctive collaboration between Blue Star Families, the National Endowment for the Arts and more than 1.800 museums across the United States, service members and their families can connect with our national treasures with this unparalleled opportunity to visit some of the country's finest museums for free.

This year, more than 1,800 (and counting) museums in all 50 states, the District of Columbia. Puerto Rico and American Samoa are taking part in the initiative, including more than 450

new museums. Other museums in South Dakota offering free admission through Blue Star Museums have included the Adams Museum, the Historic Adams House and the Days of '76 Museum in Deadwood; the D.C. Booth Historic National Fish Hatchery & Archives and the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish; the Heritage Center at Red Cloud Indian School in Pine Ridge; the Journey Museum and the Museum of Geology in Rapid City; the Old Courthouse Museum and the Pettigrew Home & Museum in Sioux Falls; the Prehistoric Indian Village in Mitchell; the South Dakota Art Museum in Brookings: the Tri-State Museum in Belle Fourche; and the

Meade.

Yankton 'Great Day Of Play' Slated For Aug. 1

On Thursday, Aug. 1, the Yankton Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the Yankton Great Day of Play.

The mission of the Great Day of Play is to encourage children, adults, and families to increase physical activity by getting out and playing in the City's parks, recreation facilities,

Memorial Park Pool will be free to the public. Come on out anytime from 12:30-8 p.m. and take advantage of the cool and refreshing water of Memorial Pool. Please note, family night rules will apply from 6-8 p.m.

If inside activities are more your style, the Summit Activities Center will be allowing guests to purchase day passes for only \$1 Take advantage of this great deal all day by utilizing the weight and fitness area, multipurpose gyms, or come out and try one or all of our many fitness classes offered that day. The Summit Activities Center is open from 5 a.m.-9 p.m.

Groth, Bristow To Perform At Gayville Jamboree Aug. 3

GAYVILLE — Gayville Hall presents its monthly musical variety show, "The Hay Country Jamboree," at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, in Gayville.

Jim Groth of Valley Springs and Boyd Bristow of Sioux Falls join Jamboree regulars Nick Schwebach and Owen De-Jong for a fast-paced evening of old-time popular tunes, country, folk and humor.

Staged the first Saturday each month, Jamborees always feature three or more musical acts on stage together trading old-time tunes by turn, according to show producer Doug Sharples.

Groth, Bristow, and Schwebach, who are each highly rated, popular guitarists and singers associated with such stellar bands as the Stallions, East of Westerville, and Poker Alice, will take turns singing classic songs, accompanied by themselves and the others, including DeJong, who is Poker Alice's acclaimed fiddler. Jamborees are two-hours

long, with a short intermission midway, and are presented in an alcohol-free, family-friendly atmosphere.

Gayville Hall is located at 502 Washington Street in Gayville. Call 605-267-2859.

