

what I wanted. I didn't want people to think I am spying on them."

Recently, while working in her back yard, Dutrow said she heard some visitors to her library.

"I couldn't make out what they were saying, but I could hear them talking," she said. "It was a couple, and at one point I heard the woman say clearly, 'And make sure you measure it.' It really made me smile because it made me think my library might have inspired someone else to build one."

Dutrow recently registered her Little Free Library with www.littlefreelibrary.org where it will be featured on the world map. Dutrow's library was number 14,934.

"I really wanted to get on the website so people who are traveling through Yankton, maybe camping, will be able to stop and pick out a book," she said. "They'd be able to drop it off at a different Little Free Library in the next town."

Dutrow has also started a Facebook page called Yankton Little Free Library and is trying to find where other Little Free Libraries are located in the area.

"I'd really like to get pictures and information on all the Little Free Libraries in the area," she said. "If you have one, you can contact me through the Facebook page."

Dutrow said she would like to expand her Little Free Libraries even more to include games, seeds or other items community members might enjoy.

"I rotate the books and try to keep it fresh and put different things in," she said. "I like to have a good mix of anything and everything in there. If anyone has an ideas or items they'd like to donate, I'd be happy to take them off their hands."

Dutrow said she is very grateful to Bob Muth and his students



Shae and Nels Hanson helping sort Big Red Bookshelf books after the community book drive. (Submitted Photo)

for building the Little Free Library and providing her the opportunity to enjoy it every day.

For more information on Little Free Library, visit www.littlefreelibrary.org.

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