

## New At The Library

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

### ADULT BOOKS

- **Country** by Danielle Steel; Fiction
- **Ever After** by Jude Deveraux; Fiction
- **Invasion of Privacy** by Christopher Reich; Fiction
- **Love May Fail** by Matthew Quick; Fiction
- **The Melody Lingers On** by Mary Higgins Clark; Fiction
- **My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry** by Fredrik Backman; Fiction
- **Paradise Sky** by Joe R. Lansdale; Fiction
- **Summer Secrets** by Jane Green; Fiction
- **Under Fire** by Tom Clancy; Fiction
- **War of the Roses: Margaret of Anjou** by Conn Iggulden; Fiction
- **Wicked Charms** by Janet Evanovich; Fiction
- **The Ultimatum** by Dick Wolf; Fiction
- **The Opposite of Loneliness** by Marina Keegan; Nonfiction
- **Pirate Hunters** by Robert Kurson; Nonfiction

### YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **Every Last Word** by Tamara Ireland Stone; Fiction
- **Omega Dragon** by Bryan Davis; Fiction

### JUNIOR BOOKS

- **The Ultimate Player's Guide to Minecraft, 2nd ed.** by Stephen O'Brien; Nonfiction

## Yankton Fireworks Display July 4

The City of Yankton announces that on Saturday, July 4, the annual City fireworks show will start at dusk and can be viewed in Riverside Park. The fireworks will be shot off from the Nebraska side of the Missouri River.

The public is reminded that the Meridian Bridge will be open during the Yankton Fourth of July fireworks show giving a great vantage point from which to view the spectacle. Remember that the Bridge is a pedestrian trail. The public will NOT be allowed to set up chairs, blankets, or other items that may block the pedestrian walkway on the Bridge as people will be crossing the bridge by foot, on bikes, by personal mobility devices, etc.

## Menno Fourth Of July Parade Set

MENNO — The annual Menno Independence Day celebration will be held in Menno July 4.

The American Legion Rames-Bender Post 152 of Menno will sponsor a Fourth of July Parade, starting, at 11 a.m. The theme is "Honor Those Who Served." If you wish to enter the parade, contact Roger Mensch at 605-387-5558 or arrive and register at the old school gym at 9 a.m. All parade entries are first come-first served. Three cash prizes will be awarded in the following three categories: Adult Organizations; Youth Organizations and Commercial Entries.

The celebration will concluded with a baseball game at 7:30 p.m., followed by a fireworks display at approximately at 10 p.m.

## Free Swim Carnival At Memorial Pool

Cool off at the free annual swim carnival held at Memorial Park Municipal Pool on Saturday, July 4, from 12:30-4 p.m.

There will be races, coin dives, watermelon and a great deal of fun for all.

This event is sponsored by First Dakota National Bank and the Yankton Department of Parks and Recreation.

For further information, call 668-5234 or stop by the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street.

## Gavins Point Boat Parade Saturday

The Gavins Point Yacht Club is hosting the annual Fourth of July boat parade at the Lewis and Clark Lake Saturday. There is no cost to participate and all boats are welcome.

Join the parade and follow the flag. Skippers and crew are encouraged to decorate their boats and wear patriotic costumes.

At 11:30 a.m. the head boat will feature a large American flag hanging from its sail. Spectators are encouraged to follow the boat from the marina entrance along the SD shore towards Gavins Point Dam.

Participating boats and or viewers may contact event organizers via the Gavins point Yacht Club website: <http://gavinspointyachtclub.com>.

## Summer Band Concert Finale Tuesday

The Yankton Area Summer Band will close its 33rd season on Tuesday, July 7, at 8 p.m., featuring Dan Carlson, Director of Bands at Sioux Falls Lincoln High School.

From "West Side Story" to jazz to songs of old Kentucky, Carlson's music selections are sure to please both performers and listeners alike.

Rehearsals begin at 6:30 p.m. for interested musicians in the amphitheater at Riverside Park in Yankton with the performance starting at 8 p.m.

If there is inclement weather, the rehearsal and concert will be held in the theater at the Yankton High School Summit Activities Center, 1801 Summit Street. For late changes due to weather, listen to the radio stations WNAX, 570 AM; KYNT, 1450 AM; KVHT, 106.3 FM; or KDAM, 94.3 FM.

## Yankton Cemetery Walk July 7

The Yankton Community Library, Dakota Territorial Museum, and Dakota Theatre are partnering to sponsor a third Historic Cemetery Walk on Tuesday, July 7. Tours are set to leave the south entry of the Yankton City Cemetery on Douglas Avenue beginning at 4 p.m. and departing every 15 minutes thereafter, until 7:45 p.m.

Learn about five of Yankton's historic figures as re-enactors tell their stories at the gravesites. You will "meet" John Blair Smith, George Fiske, William Box, Amanda Pennington and Nellie Zabel Wilhite. Note that this is a completely different tour from previous years.

Tickets are now on sale at the Library, 515 Walnut Street. When purchasing your tickets, you must choose your tour time. Each tour can accommodate 12 people. Earlier tours will be filled before later tours are opened.

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

## Meridan En Blanc Slated July 18

Yankton Area Arts will be hosting the second annual Meridan en Blanc to be held Saturday, July 18, on the historic Meridan Bridge in Yankton.

Intending to celebrate the arts in a beautiful outdoor setting, this has become an annual fundraiser to support arts programming in the Yankton area. This year's picnic will feel like you are taking a stroll through the market in Paris, stopping at several vendors to get your complete meal.

Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. The Picnic Basket presentation will happen at 7 p.m. Dancing to the Bridge City Big Band from 8-10 p.m. will conclude the evening festivities.

Tickets will go on sale to the general public beginning Monday, June 15. For more information contact Yankton Area Arts at 605-665-9754 or [yaa@iw.net](mailto:yaa@iw.net).

## The Bookworm ... For Kids

# Haunting 'Boo' Will Please

"Boo" by Neil Smith; © 2015, Vintage; 310 pages.

BY TERRI SCHICHENMEYER

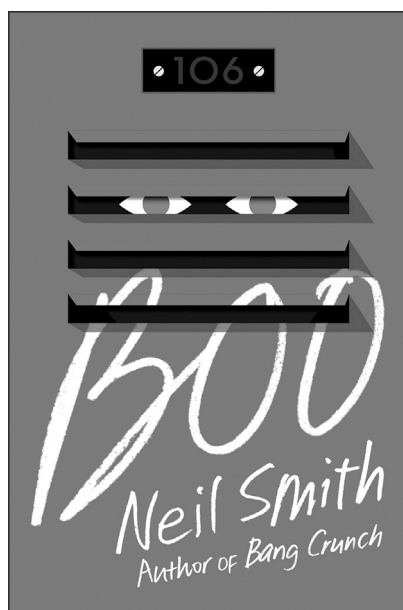
All your life, you've tried very hard to be good.

You've volunteered your time, given to charity, stood up for kids who are bullied and tried to set a good example. You do these things because you like the way they make you feel and because you sometimes think about where you'll go when you die. But in the new book "Boo" by Neil Smith, this heaven isn't all it's cracked up to be.

When Oliver Dalrymple woke up to find himself in a room he didn't recognize, in a bed next to which sat a snoring black girl, he quickly assumed that he was dead.

What else could he think? The last he remembered, it was the fourth day of eighth grade at Helen Keller Junior High and he'd finally had success at memorizing the periodic tables before falling to the floor. His parents always said that he had a hole in his heart, so he figured that was what killed him.

The black girl, his guide, Thelma Rudd, confirmed it. Oliver, known as "Boo" to his classmates because of his pale-pale skin, had been "rebirthed." He'd "passed" into this place everyone called "Town," where he'd forever be thirteen years old, skinny and non-



athletic. He'd always be super-smart — although he might grow wiser - and he'd stay that way for fifty years before he'd vanish for good.

Town was an unusual place. Nothing was breakable there; glass, buildings and humans all repaired themselves spontaneously. It was always sunny, the sky never changed, there were no birds, and while there were some Earthly accoutrements, they

were meted out by a god Boo called Zig, whom nobody ever saw.

These were things Boo wrote down, in case his parents might someday find him or he might find a mythical portal back to Earth. And so, he settled in to observe and journal — until another boy arrived in Town.

If it could be said that Boo had any friends in life, Johnny Henzel's name would have been singularly mentioned, but now Johnny had a bombshell to deliver: Boo didn't die of a holey heart. The two boys had been shot, and Johnny thought he could remember that the killer had died, too. Would Zig have let a murderer in Town?

As a little bit of a nerd myself, I fell in love with "Boo" on the very first page.

Author Neil Smith's title character is annoyingly smart and fully cognizant of his social ineptness, neither of which he can control. He's guileless, but that innocence is tarnished by a threatening pulse that runs softly through this story itself. That grows as the plot progresses, and it's cleverly underscored by numerous mini-shocks that surprise readers again and again, and an ending you may sense but won't totally see coming.

As with so many young adult novels these days, this book is definitely not just for teens. I say buy it for your 13- to 17-year-old, but borrow it back and read it yourself ... because "Boo" is very good.



COURTESY PHOTO

East of Westville singer-and-guitarist Boyd Bristow (shown) joins "Singing Farmer" Ervin Pickhinke and show regulars in Gayville Hall's monthly musical variety show, "The Hay Country Jamboree," at 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, in Gayville.

## Jamboree At Gayville July 11

GAYVILLE — Gayville Hall presents its monthly musical variety show, "The Hay Country Jamboree," at 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, in Gayville.

Two popular guests, the East of Westville singer-and-guitarist Boyd Bristow of Sioux Falls and Iowa's "Singing Farmer," Ervin Pickhinke, join Jamboree regulars, including fiddler Owen DeJong and guitarist- and-singer Nick Schwebach of the Poker Alice and Pub-

lic Domain Tune bands, for a lively, two-hour show.

Jamborees always feature three-or-more musical acts on stage together trading old-time popular tunes, country, bluegrass, folk, and humor by turn. The shows include a short intermission midway and are presented in an alcohol-free, family-friendly setting.

Gayville Hall is at 502 Washington Street in Gayville. Call (605) 267-2859 for ticket information.

## Art Forms

# Keeping The Beat With Yankton's Rich Arts Scene

BY JULIE J. AMSBERRY

Yankton Area Arts

So there I was, minding my own business ... driving to Riverside Park on a Tuesday evening, and what delight I felt at the difficulty of finding a parking spot! What joy to have a variety of music brought to us by the volunteer members of the Yankton Area Summer Band and their weekly guest conductors!

Each week as I sit in the audience and listen to a song about a frog, or count the number of familiar tunes in one three-minute piece, one of the particular pleasures I have is watching my fellow attendees dance in their seats, tap their toes, smile, and even sing along to some of their favorite tunes. Have you ever felt a certain connection and bond during a fireworks display; that sense of an enormous amount of people who stop what they are doing to come together simply for the joy and wonderment of something spectacular? I feel that same bond when I attend a summer concert in the park.

Thank you, fellow spectators, for joining together each Tuesday evening for an hour of musical bliss. Thank you for enduring mosquitoes and gnats, and the sudden chill when the sun sinks low. Thank you to the young clarinet player who can't sit still when she plays because the music is so infectious! Thank you, Todd Carr, for ensuring that getting out of the house on a Tuesday night is totally worth it each and every week. Thank you all for filling the parking lots and streets with your cars ... but from now on I'll be riding my bike!

Although the final Yankton Area Summer Band concert will be on Tuesday, July 7, the fun is hardly over! In fact, join us Saturday evening (July 4th) at the Riverside Park Amphitheater for the kick-off to our Summer Pops Concert series. Performing this year are Saving Vinyl City and Livin' Free.

Saving Vinyl City (SVC) is a five-piece, all good-looking, pop-funk band from Minneapolis. Every show is wild, fun and energetic with heavy amounts of crowd participation. SVC

plays original music but also like to put their own spin on the songs they cover making every song and show they perform very unique. SVC strives to create music that will affect lives and generate real emotion.

Livin' Free is the house band at First Assembly in Yankton. Although they have primarily a rock flavor, they enjoy many genres of music. Music is universal and brings people together across different backgrounds and experiences. This high energy band loves the Yankton community and they're excited to light up the park on the Fourth of July!

The fun begins at 8 p.m.! Playing the rest of the summer are the 1890 Band on July 14, C.J. Kocher Little Big Band on July 21, Not Yet Almost Famous Bassoon Band on July 28, and Main Avenue Warehouse on Aug. 4! All concerts begin at 8 p.m. at the Amphitheater and free to the public!

The annual Mighty Mo' photo exhibit opens at GAR Hall Art Gallery on July 10 and runs through Aug. 25. This year's theme: "A River for All Seasons" is sure to delight! This annual, juried exhibit highlights the work of both professional and amateur photographers. Three photos will be chosen as Best in Show, Honorable Mention and People's Choice. Stop in to vote on your favorite photo! Winning photos will be announced at the First Friday Reception on Friday, Aug. 7, from 5-7 p.m.

If you haven't stopped in the gallery recently, you'll be excited to see how our summer long interactive art installation "Modify. Dotify." is progressing! Each visitor is given 12 brightly colored stickers to put anywhere in our white art studio. Due to the summer Kids Studio art classes each week in June and July you'll see how popular this project has become with our visitors. Don't be shy! Bring your friends. My goal is that we will modify, dotify so much that we won't see any white by the end of the summer! We hope you'll come back more than once to participate and see it change!



Julie AMSBERRY

## Riverboat Days

# The 'Best Part' Of Riverboat Days ...

BY KATIE GREENE

Yankton Riverboat Days

People often ask me what my favorite event is at Riverboat Days. I always have a tough time with naming just one. We have plenty of fun and exciting events and we always try to bring new things to our weekend.

My favorite part of Riverboat Days is not an event. It really is seeing a group of volunteers pull off an event that makes our town a great place to be the third weekend in August. I am not just talking about the Board of Directors. They are an amazing group! I am talking about the everyday volunteer who helps out and shares his/her time and expertise with all of us. Riverboat Days weekend really is a time and place to look around and be proud of where we are from and what we can accomplish!

Captain & Belle, Dickie and Joyce Lane, did a wonderful job of representing Riverboat Days at Czech Days on June 19. This was their very first parade and judging from what I could hear as I walked the route, Dick's favorite part was tooting the horn on our Riverboat float! A very special thank you goes out to Jake Hoffner, his father Jack Hoffner, as well as Pam March and for helping us unpack the float, toss out candy, and providing many great memories of that day.

The Yankton Rodeo Association will once again sponsor the Extreme Bull Riding event that takes place on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for this event are available at Hy-Vee, Larry's Heating and Cooling, and Western Trails. Ages 13 and up can get tickets in advance for \$12, you may also purchase them at the gate for \$15. Tickets for 6-12 are \$4.00. Tickets are free for birth to 5 years old. This event draws quite a crowd and we are thankful for the Yankton Rodeo Association for organizing and making this event happen. There will also be a candy toss, muddin' bustin' and a clown to help entertain the crowd.

The Vanguard Squadron will be performing two separate air shows again this year. This was my favorite event last year. I'm not sure if it is the loud music we get to play, the neat tricks that I could never dream of performing myself or the fact that everyone is standing still looking up that I love, but whatever it is, you will find me super excited at 2:30 p.m. and then again at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22! The group also has plans to come down into the park to sign autographs in the Children's Tent Saturday afternoon at 4 p.m.

Rich Wieber Bicycle Stunt Show will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22, in the parking lot near the main stage at 1 p.m. and then again at 3 p.m. This group performed last year and