

Enjoying Summer With A Good Book

BY KATHY JACOBS
Yankton Public Library

With summer reading in full swing, it has been an exciting few weeks at the library! To date, we have 553 children and 21 teens registered for our program, and they've cashed in 475 "book bucks," which means that they have read at least 47,500 minutes since June 6! During our programs, we've "visited" the continents of Europe, South America, Africa and Asia with the remaining continents to be "visited" in July. Children and teens have learned German, Spanish and Swahili phrases; performed Chilean and Mexican dancing; made African and South American crafts; attended a cheer-leading clinic, magician program, and photography class; and participated in a Lego contest.

There are just as many programs scheduled for July as we had in June, so it's not too late to register and start participating in our summer reading program. We'll take you on a whirlwind tour around the world!

Adults are participating in our summer program as well. We had a tea tasting in June and will reschedule our movie *Out of Africa* for an evening in August when the weather is more stable. Our July events are the showing of the movie *The Kite Runner* on July 11, at 6:30 p.m. On July 18, at 10 a.m., Starbucks will host a coffee tasting session. We'll enjoy coffees from around the world during a mid-morning coffee break. While there is no charge for the tasting, we ask that you register so that we can prepare the correct amount of tastings. We're also holding weekly drawings for adults who check out materials as well as door prizes at each of our events. Our display for the next month features both fiction and nonfiction books that are set in other countries. If you find a book set in another country that is particularly enjoyable, please tell the staff so we can add it to our display.

Summer Scrabble will be held at the library on Saturday, July 9, from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested in honing their Scrabble skills, getting ready for next year's tournament, should call the Yankton Area Literacy Council and register.

Thanks to our seven great volunteers and our guest speakers who have been helping us during our summer program. You make it so much easier for us to plan and hold our programs. Thanks again!

Our July 13 Brown Bag is "Our Tax \$\$\$ @ Work: Finance

and Human Resources." All Brown Bags are the second Wednesday of each month with a start time of 12:10 p.m.

Readers Anonymous will discuss *Where the Heart Is* by Billy Letts on July 12. This club, which is always open to new members, meets the second Tuesday of each month, at 1 p.m.

Between the Lines will meet July 19. This club meets at 5:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month and also welcomes new members.

Teens are welcome to join their new book club which will meet for the first time on Thursday, July 7, 3 p.m. At this meeting, teens will discuss *Against Medical Advice* by James Patterson and Hal Friedman. This book can be checked out from the library at any time. The second read of the summer will be *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak.

We are happy to announce that each week, we post some of the new titles that we have received on our web site and they appear in the *Yankton Daily Press and Dakotan's* Friday River City section. The staff recommends the following titles for your summer reading pleasure: *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein, *A Cup of Friendship* by Deborah Rodriguez, *44 Charles Street* by Danielle Steel, *Friendship Bread* by Darien Gee, *The Garden of Beasts* by Jeffery Deaver, *Greater Journey: Americans in Paris* by David McCullough, *Heaven Is for Real* by Todd Burpo, *Legacy* by Danielle Steel, *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd, *Summer in Sonoma* by Robyn Carr, and *When the Wind Blows* by James Patterson.

We collected 60 containers of Miracle Whip and mayonnaise for our June Food for Fines. In keeping with the grilling season, July's item is ketchup or mustard and can be donated July 9-16. Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, July 2, from 10:12-30 p.m. Friends is happy to accept gently used books for their sales.

The library will be closed on Monday, July 4, for the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday, July 5, at 10 a.m.

Did you know that in 2010, the library's half hour computers were used 27,685 times and our hour computers were used 3,553 times, for a total of 31,238 computer uses!

You can contact the library at 605-668-5275 or e-mail me at kjacobs@sdln.net. View us online at <http://www.yanktonsd.org/yankton/library/index.php> or visit us on Facebook by searching Yankton Community Library.



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Hybrid Ran Out Of Gas But Not Out Of Steam

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
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Dear Tom and Ray:
I've got a 2009 Toyota Prius and recently managed to run out of gas. In my defense, the gas gauge is pretty finicky. In the past, it's allowed me to go for 50 miles after the fuel signal comes on, while this time it gave me only about 10. However, to my surprise, the car continued to run for another mile and a half on battery power, enough time for me to get to the next gas station. Did I do any harm to my battery by driving all that way without any fuel? Thanks, guys!

TOM: Nope. No harm done, Matt. But you don't want to make a habit of doing that.

RAY: Right. Once you run out of gas AND battery power, you're a sitting duck. And a dead Prius is a tempting target for SUV drivers, who may pull over, beat you up and steal your tofu sandwiches and organic hemp



CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

earth shoes.

TOM: Your batteries should recharge without any problem. But you should make a note to stop for gas within 10 miles of when the

fuel light comes on. Or, better yet, stop playing Saudi Arabian roulette, and fill it up when you get to a quarter-tank.

Why do unmitigated cheapskates like Tom continue to buy nothing but old clunkers? Find out by ordering Tom and Ray's guide "How to Buy a Great Used Car: Secrets Only Your Mechanic Knows." Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Used Car, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

Get more Click and Clack in their new book, "Ask Click and Clack: Answers from Car Talk." Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or e-mail them by visiting the Car Talk Web site at www.cartalk.com.

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Disaster Survivors Urged To Beware Of Recovery Scams

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Small Business Administration is urging disaster victims seeking federal aid to be alert to scam artists posing as federal officials and to be cautious about any solicitations for fees to perform services that are available from federal agency staff for free.

In the wake of widespread flooding, wildfires and tornados in many areas across the country over the past few months, the SBA is particularly concerned about flyers that have appeared in tornado-damaged areas asking for non-refundable fees of up to \$450 to help disaster victims fill out their loan applications and as much as \$1,000 to verify losses and file loan applications.

Federal agencies involved in disaster recovery will never ask

for a fee or payment to file an application for financial assistance or to inspect damaged property.

"Historically, natural disasters bring out the very best in people, and there are countless stories of the selfless acts of helpful neighbors and volunteers," said SBA Administrator Karen Mills.

"Unfortunately, we have also seen in the past individuals who attempt to take advantage of people who need assistance. Disaster survivors should be vigilant in protecting their personal assets, particularly in the stressful environment of a disaster recovery."

"The SBA will not tolerate the defrauding of those who have already lost so much in the aftermath of these devastating disasters," Mills said. "Those

who are found taking advantage of disaster victims will be prosecuted to the fullest extent provided by law."

If you suspect a person is posing as a local or federal agent, or encounter what you believe are fraudulent activities connected with disaster relief operations, contact your local law enforcement officials, phone the toll-free National Disaster Fraud Hotline at 866-720-5721, or send an email to disaster@leo.gov. The phone line is staffed by a live operator 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To register for federal help after a disaster declaration, visit www.DisasterAssistance.gov, or call FEMA at 800-621-3362 (800-426-7585 for the speech or hearing impaired).

Disaster survivors may also visit one of the local recovery centers to get help with filing for assistance. To get help with the disaster loan application, contact the SBA by email at disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or by calling 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for those with speech or hearing disabilities). Those affected by recent disasters may also file a loan application online by visiting SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>.

The SBA makes low-interest, taxpayer-backed disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses and non-profit organizations of all sizes. More information about the disaster assistance program is available at www.sba.gov/disasterassistance.

Jackley Warns South Dakota Seniors Of Medicare Scam

PIERRE — Attorney General Marty Jackley is warning seniors that various Medicare and Medicaid telemarketing scams are resurfacing in South Dakota.

Consumers have filed complaints with the Division of Consumer Protection and the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) involving fraudulent telemarketing calls targeting Medicare and Medicaid recipients. Fraudsters are attempting to obtain personal information that could be used to file fraudulent Medicare or Medicaid claims, to commit identity theft, or to gain access to financial accounts.

Consumers are receiving unsolicited phone calls from such entities as diabetic supply companies offering free diabetic supplies. The caller then asks for the consumer's Medicare number over the phone. In some instances the caller claims to be a government agency representative and informs the consumer that they are eligible for new medical equipment or supplies that are generally covered under Medicare. The caller then asks the consumer to confirm their Medicare number for eligibility and identity.

"Exercise extreme caution before accepting any health care services that are offered over the phone, including diabetic supplies," said Jackley. "Never give away sensitive information such as Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, or financial account numbers to someone who calls on the phone," said Jackley.

Durable medical equipment (DME) companies that work with Medicare are prohibited from making unsolicited telemarketing calls. Therefore, anyone who is making such calls is already in violation of Medicare's rules.

"Medicare will never make unsolicited calls to a beneficiary. The only objective in making these calls is to victimize our seniors," said Jackley.

If seniors receive any phone calls such as this scam they should report it to Attorney General's Consumer Protection at 800-300-1986 or by going to their website at www.atg.sd.gov. You may also report it to the SMP at 1-800-822-8804 East River and 1-800-695-8168 West River or the Medicare Fraud Hotline at 1-800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477), or the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit at 605-773-4102.

Federal/State Teams To Start Assessing Damages To Homes

PIERRE — Gov. Dennis Daugaard announced that teams made up of federal, state and local personnel will begin assessing the extent of flood-related damages to homes and businesses in 10 South Dakota counties beginning Monday, June 27.

The State has requested Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments for Charles Mix, Clay, Day, Hamlin, Hand, Hughes, Kingsbury, Stanley, Union and Yankton counties.

The assessments are the first step in a process to determine if assistance could be made available through FEMA's Individual Assistance program. The information can be used by the State to determine if damages are beyond state and local capabilities, and if a request for an Individual Assistance presidential declaration is warranted.

"We are still in an active flood fight, and we continue to respond to that threat," Gov. Daugaard said. "At the same time, we need to begin looking at recovery for our citizens. These preliminary assessments will give us a clearer picture of the extent of damage to private property from this year's flooding. The information gathered will help us determine if federal funds could be made available for residents with homes and businesses impacted by the flooding."

Each Preliminary Damage Assessment team includes a specialist from the South Dakota Office of Emergency Management; the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA); and a local official most familiar with flood damages to homes and businesses in each county.

The goal is to assess the extent and severity of damages to primary residences. Those assessments determine the level of impact that is beyond local, state and voluntary agency capabilities.

If the State requests an Individual Assistance declaration, the data is used by FEMA to evaluate the request. The request would go to FEMA headquarters for a final decision on approval.

The damage assessments are not a guarantee that there will be a designation of Individual Assistance. Teams may visit private households, but that does not mean residents have registered with FEMA, or that the provision of assistance is forthcoming.

On May 13, President Obama signed a disaster declaration under which state and local governments in 31 South Dakota counties may be eligible for reimbursement of a portion of the cost of repairs to flood-damaged public infrastructure.

SCHOLASTICS

UNL DEANS' LIST/HONOR ROLL

LINCOLN, Neb. — The following local students qualified for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Deans' List/Honor Roll for the spring semester of the 2010-11 academic year.

Freeman: Megan Dawn Andersen, sophomore, College of Arts and Sciences, psychology.

Freeman: Jennifer C Weier, freshman, College of Fine and Performing Arts, music.

Parker: Derek Shawn Christensen*, freshman, College of Engineering, electrical engineering.

Vermillion: William Lee Kjelden, senior, College of Engineering, computer engineering.

Vermillion: Kayla Marie Munger*, sophomore, College of Arts and Sciences, psychology.

Vermillion: April Joy Sun, sophomore, College of Fine and Performing Arts, music.

Viborg: Chelsey Lea Larsen*, sophomore, College of Arts and Sciences, pre-health.

Yankton: Brianna Faye Anderson*, senior, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, forensic science.

Yankton: Jacqueline Frick, senior, College of Business Administration, business administration.

Yankton: Keith Joseph Luchtel*, senior, College of Arts and Sciences, computer science.

Yankton: Bailey Elise Pons, sophomore, College of Arts and Sciences, geology.

Yankton: Erik Nelson Spencer, sophomore, College of Education and Human Sciences, athletic training.

Bloomfield: Mary Helen Lingenfelter*, sophomore, College of Education and Human Sciences, pre-mathematics education.

Bloomfield: Nicholas Charles Mertens*, junior, College of Engineering, civil engineering.

Bloomfield: Kurtis Allen Palu, senior, College of Engineering, mechanical engineering.

Bloomfield: Morgan M Wilken*, senior, College of Arts and Sciences, mathematics.

Coleridge: Jonathan Saylor*, senior, College of Business Administration, management.

Coleridge: Seth Thomas Schroeder,

junior, College of Arts and Sciences, biological sciences.

Fordyce: Douglas Clarence Jansen*, junior, College of Engineering, mechanical engineering.

Laurel: Cody Andrew Hartman, senior, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, food science and technology.

Laurel: Nicole Renee Lubberstedt,

senior, College of Education and Human Sciences, nutrition, exercise and health science.

Laurel: Alyssa Lucille Lundahl*, senior, College of Arts and Sciences, psychology.

Randolph: Emily Ann Tunink*, senior, College of Arts and Sciences, political science.

Saint Helena: Abbie Heine, senior,

College of Business Administration, marketing.

Saint Helena: Shawna Louise Wiepen*, senior, College of Education and Human Sciences, elementary and early childhood education.

Wausa: Kayla Rae Kumm*, junior, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, biochemistry.

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Celebrating 50 Years!
Mr. and Mrs. Virgil and Donna Schmidt of Saint Helena, Nebraska, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 26th with an open house from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Saint Boniface Parish Center, Menominee, Nebraska.
The event will be hosted by their children. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.
Donna Hoebelheinrich and Virgil Schmidt were married at Immaculate Conception Church in Saint Helena, Nebraska, on December 27th, 1960.
The couple has three children: Brenda (deceased), Randy (married to Sherry), and Tammy. Four grandchildren: Matthew, Lakyn, Taylor and Cole. Two great-grandchildren: Abigail and Connor.
Greetings may be sent to : 55929 895th Road, Saint Helena, NE 68774