

‘Mead’ Exhibit Opens At G.A.R. Gallery

Yankton Area Arts will debut the exhibit "Mead" featuring the black and white photography of local artist David Jensen, opening today (Friday) and running through July 17 at the G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery at 508 Douglas Avenue.

A reception to honor the artist will be held on the first Friday of July (July 6) at the G.A.R. Gallery from 5-7 p.m. There is no charge for the reception, the public is invited to attend, and refreshments will be served. Jensen will be on hand to introduce the exhibit, which highlights the historic Mead Building at HSC, and share insights into his artistic process during the Gallery Talk which will begin at 5:30 p.m. that night.

The G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery and Yankton Area Arts are located at 508 Douglas. The gallery is open to the public free of charge from 1-5 p.m. weekdays and from 1-3 p.m. on Saturdays. For more information call 665-9754, email yaa@iw.net or see www.YanktonAreaArts.org.

Short Film To See S.D. Debut In Yankton

The public is invited to attend the South Dakota premiere of the film "Requiem for Emily" at 7 p.m. Friday, June 15, at the SAC/YHS Theatre.

The short film was shot on location in Yankton last October and features Yankton natives and professional performers Ryan Wuestewald and Emily King in the lead roles.

The premiere event is free and open to the public. The film is 15 minutes long, and director Yana Alliata will be present for an audience Q & A afterwards along with actors Wuestewald and King, as well as the film's musical composer, Tim Hausmann.

A love story set in a small town, the movie has enjoyed premiere events in Los Angeles and Honolulu and has been entered in a number of national short film competitions.

For more information, contact Amy at Yankton Area Arts (665-9754 or yaa@iw.net).

‘Rivercity Musicale’ Slated For Trinity Church

Trinity Lutheran Church of Yankton presents its second annual recital series "Rivercity Musicale," set for 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 17.

Composers featured in Friday's recital include Anton Dvorak, Vaughn Williams, Johannes Brahms and Benjamin Britten.

Sunday's recital includes compositions by Franz Schubert, Robert Schumann, Emmanuel Chabrier, Arnold Schoenberg, Kenneth Fuchs and Madeline Dring.

Oboist Mark Ackerman, principle oboe with the San Antonio Symphony, active chamber music player and artistic director of the Olmos Ensemble, will be playing his third recital at Trinity, having played a recital in 2009 and in last year's musicale. He will be joined by oboist/English hornist Mason Tran and bassoonist Mindy Braithwaite.

A native of Canton, Tran has spent this past year in San Antonio where he was guest principle oboe with The Heart of Texas Concert Band and the University of Texas at San Antonio's Symphony Orchestra; he is an active freelance artist and a voice actor, specializing in audiobook narration.

Braithwaite is a Sioux Falls resident, a member of the South Dakota Symphony, The Northwest Iowa Symphony, the Augustana Community Orchestra and the Dakota Wind Ensemble.

Vocalist for the two recitals is Yankton native Solveig Nyberg of Portland, Ore. Solveig teaches voice and is choir director at Mount Hood Community College in Portland; she has sung with the Dale Warland Singers in Minneapolis and the Bach Festival in Eugene, Oregon.

Solveig's parents, Dr. James and Marilyn Nyberg, are the pianists for the festival. Jim is a retired dentist and avid amateur pianist; Marilyn has been organist at Trinity since 1966; both are active piano teachers.

Trinity is located at 403 Broadway and, because of construction, must be entered from the west, north or east entrances. Parking is in the lot west of the church and in the lot across Broadway. The recitals are free, but donations will be gratefully accepted. A reception follows Sunday's performance.

Gavins Point Hatchery Walk-Run Is June 16

The second annual Gavins Point Hatchery 5K Run/Walk will be held at the fish hatchery west of Yankton on Saturday, June 16. The walk starts at 7:30 a.m., and the run begins at 8:30 a.m.

This event features an all-terrain run through the hatchery ponds. All proceeds go for the nature trail.

For more information, contact Carol Yacko at 515-669-8312 or jyacko@mchsi.com, or visit www.allsportcentral.com .

‘Lost Landscapes’ To Be Shown In Vermillion

VERMILLION — The film "America's Lost Landscapes: The Tallgrass Prairie" will be shown at W.H. Over Museum on the University of South Dakota campus in Vermillion at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 19.

This film tells the story of one of the most astonishing alterations of nature in human history. Prior to Euro-American settlement in the 1820s, one of the major landscape features of North America was 240 million acres of tallgrass prairie. But between 1830 and 1900, the tallgrass prairie was steadily transformed to farmland. The film also highlights prairie preservation efforts and explores how the tallgrass prairie ecosystem may serve as a model for a sustainable agriculture of the future.

This presentation is sponsored by the Living River Group, Sierra Club.

Eugenio Zapata To Perform At SAC June 22

Nationally known Pianist Dr. Eugenio Zapata performs the Multimedia Program "Fantasies and Illusions" — featuring Prima Ballerina Steffani Jiroux — at the YHS/Summit Activities Center Theatre in Yankton at 7 p.m. June 22.

For tickets and/or information, call (605) 660-9526 or (605) 660-6726.

Eagle Eye Ride Set For Yankton On June 23

The fifth annual Eagle Eye Ride in memory of Mary (Carda) Simek will be Saturday, June 23, in Yankton. Registration starts at 11 a.m. Cars and Trucks are welcome.

There will be a Poker Run with first pay out at \$200 and second payout at \$100. Entry fee is \$20 for each person. All proceeds will be donated locally in memory of Mary (Carda) Simek.

The route will be Walnut Bar (Yankton) Registration at 11 a.m and leave by noon. Second stop at The Dock in Springfield, third stop at Dakota Bowl in Wagner, fourth stop at Joe's Substation in Lester-ville and fifth stop at The Landing in Yankton. There will be a show-n-shine show following the poker run.

There will be three live bands at The Landing: Rust performs from 5-7 p.m.; Hairtrigger plays from 7-9 p.m.; and Go Figure goes on at 9 p.m.

The public is welcome.

For more information, contact Tina Sanders at sanderstina@knology.net.

The Bookworm

‘What The Dog Said’ A Very Fetching Book

“What the Dog Said” by Randi Reisfeld, with HB Gilmour; © 2012, Bloomsbury Kids; 242 pages

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

Your best friend is the best listener in the whole world.

You can scream, cry, complain, and your bestie just sits there quietly and takes it all in. He doesn't give you advice you don't want, he never changes the subject, and if you talk about guys you like or teachers you don't, your secret is safe because your best friend would never share those things with anybody else, ever.

In fact, your best friend doesn't say a word. That's because he's a dog.

But what would you do if he did start talking back? In the new book "What the Dog Said" by Randi Reisfeld (with HB Gilmour), a pooch learns to "Speak" all too well.

Grace Abernathy absolutely could not understand how her sister, Regan, had moved on so easily. Didn't she care?

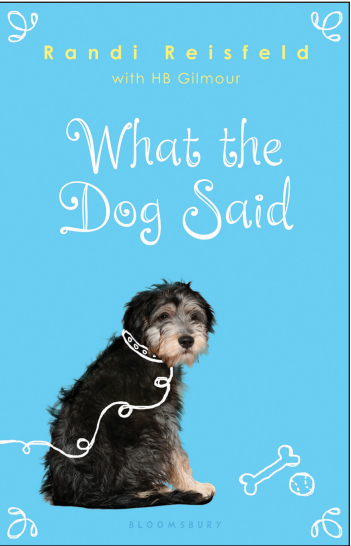
It wasn't all that long ago that Grace and Regan's father was killed while leaving work. Grace remembered rushing to the hospital like it was practically last night. It still hurt so much. So why was Regan planning for a happy future without their dad?

Grace didn't know, but she was pretty sure that Regan's latest hair-brained idea would end up badly. Sixteen-year-old Regan heard that training a service dog might help with college admissions, but Grace figured that her older sister wouldn't follow through. She never did before.

At the shelter, Regan liked the fluffy white Malti-poo. She wanted a purse puppy, and Grace didn't much care. But when she heard a dirty, mangy pooch say, "Pick me," Grace couldn't believe her ears.

The dog talked!

Rex was his name and he was a scruffy mutt. His coat was wiry, his paws were huge, and his tail was like a baseball bat but he



seemed to like Grace, even if she didn't want him butting into her life. He only spoke to her (which made her doubt her sanity), he snored, and there were times when he just wouldn't stop yapping. Still, his hearing was good, which came in handy when spying on others.

But training a service dog means that you have to let him go eventually, which was another loss Grace could barely stand to think about. She needed Rex to stick around. She was starting to like what the furball had to say.

And then Rex stopped saying ... There's no way around it: "What the Dog Said" is awfully darn cute.

Author Randi Reisfeld gives young readers with pets what they want: a dog that actually talks back, without anybody having to pretend that he does. I loved Rex; he made me laugh, but the real appeal is his relationship with the vulnerable heroine of this book, 13-year-old Grace. The sweet and grief-stricken young character will steal your heart as she both warms it, and breaks it in two.

If the same old summer reading fare makes you want to flea, then here's a book you'll need to collar. For 12-to-18-year-old dog lovers and teens who crave a good story, "What the Dog Said" is something to fetch.

Heartland Humane Society Prepares ‘Taste & Tour’

VERMILLION — Heartland Humane Society will host Vermillion's first Taste & Tour on Saturday, June 23, in downtown Vermillion.

The event, which is raising funds for the local animal shelter, starts at 6 p.m. and will feature VIP passes to eight businesses in Vermillion for food, drinks, music, and more.

"Heartland Humane Society relies on donations from the surrounding area and Taste & Tour is a new fundraiser we are hoping will bring our supporters together for a casual and fun evening," said Kerry Schmidt, executive director at Heartland Humane Society. "I personally think downtown Vermillion has so much to offer and I am excited for this event. It is going to be new to both our shelter and the Vermillion community."

Tickets may be purchased at the HHS shelter, the Vermillion Chamber of Commerce, or Nook 'N Cranny in Vermillion.

The event will include stops at RED, Lumo Studios, Nook 'N Cranny, Maya Janes, Razel's, Sharing the Dream, Pets Paw, and Carey's Bar.

Wine and beer tasting, appetizers, tacos, casino games, a photo shoot, and music by Poker Alice will all be included in the event.

Each location offers a chance to win a raffle prize valued at \$100 or more. Raffles include season passes to USD basketball, Orpheum Theatre tickets, gift baskets from Whoopti Do and Nook 'N Cranny, and Vermillion Chamber Bucks.

"This event is a chance to ensure more strays find permanent homes in 2012 and a chance to get everyone in the communities together for a great cause," Schmidt said. "We hope if you have a love for pets that you will consider joining us."

Heartland Humane Society serves Yankton and Clay Counties in South Dakota and Cedar County in Nebraska and surrounding communities, protecting and enhancing the lives of companion animals by promoting healthy relationships between pets and people. For more information about HHS or the Taste & Tour, visit Heartland Humane Society online at www.heartlandhumane-society.net.

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **A Blaze of Glory** by Jeff Shaara; Fiction
- **Love Is Murder**; Fiction
- **The Lower River** by Paul Theroux; Fiction
- **The Shadow of Death** by Sidney Chambers; Fiction
- **The Storm** by Clive Cussler; Fiction
- **What Comes Next** by John Katzenbach; Fiction
- **Wife 22** by Melanie Gideon; Fiction
- **The Candidate** by Samuel L. Popkin; Nonfiction
- **Cronkite** by Douglas Brinkley; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **Clouds Without Rain** by P.L. Gaus; Fiction
- **The Newlyweds** by Nell Freudenberger; Fiction
- **Dream New Dreams** by Jai Pausch; Nonfiction

ADULT DVDS

- **Man on a Ledge**
- **Red Tails**

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **Fallen in Love** by Lauren Kate; Fiction
- **Grave Mercy** by Robin La Fevers; Fiction
- **Underworld** by Meg Cabot; Fiction
- **The Wicked and the Just** by J. Anderson Coats; Fiction

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **Caddy's World** by Hilary McKay; Fiction
- **The Grave Robbers Apprentice** by Allan Stratton; Fiction
- **I Don't Believe It, Archie!** by Andrew Norriss; Fiction
- **Justin Case: Shells, Smells, and the Horrible Flip-Flops of Doom**; by Rachel Vail; Fiction
- **Middle School: Get Me Out of Here** by James Patterson & Chris Tebbets; Fiction
- **The Paradise Trap** by Catherine Jinks; Fiction
- **The Puzzler's Mansion** by Eric Berlin; Fiction

EASY READING BOOKS

- **Blackout** by John Rocco; Fiction
- **Chloe and the Lion** by Mac Barnett; Fiction
- **Cindy Moo** by Lori Mortensen; Fiction
- **Every Cowgirl Loves a Rodeo** by Rebecca Janni; Fiction
- **Owlet's First Flight** by Mitra Modarressi; Fiction
- **Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons** by Eric Litvin; Fiction
- **Where Do Diggers Sleep at Night?** by Brianna Caplan Sayres; Fiction
- **Brothers at Bat** by Audrey Vernick; Nonfiction

FAMILY DVDS

- **The Secret World of Arrietty**

2012 Czech Days Celebration Set To Honor Vivian Vaith

TABOR — Tabor's 64th annual Czech Days celebration is being dedicated to the late Vivian Vaith during ceremonies at 3 p.m. Friday, June 15, in Sokol Park.

Vivian was born Dec. 13, 1918 in Tabor to John and Anna (Boxa) King. She grew up in Tabor with her four sisters, Lorraine (Leo) Karolevitz, Georgianna (Fred) Reichert, Caroline King, and Genevieve (Robert) Hoyt and her one brother Harry King.

Vivian graduated from Tabor High School in 1936 and then went to work at the former State Hospital in Yankton (now the Human Services Center) as a psychiatric aide until her marriage on Jan. 7, 1943 to her high school sweetheart, Frank Vaith. Vivian and Frank resided in Tabor their entire lives where they were both dedicated to their community.

After her marriage she enjoyed being a wife, homemaker and mother to their two daughters, Kathy (Don) Kortan and Deb (Gary) Caba. She enjoyed her six grandchildren Chris, Scott, Nick Kortan and Jennifer (Kortan) Mills and Brian and Amy Caba. She loved following their sporting and school events and having them spend the night at her home. Eleven great-grandchildren have been added to her legacy.

Vivian was a member of St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church and Altar Society. She was a devoted member of the Kortex-Hatwan American Legion Auxiliary where she served in various offices and leadership roles-always showing her pride and support for the US military.



Vaith

Vivian and Frank were long-time members of the Beseda Club traveling to many area festivals and events to share the Czech dance and heritage.

She was instrumental in organizing the Tabor Senior Citizens organization, promoting and working for its success with delivery of meals to the homebound residents of the community.

She and her sister Caroline with a group of other Tabor women sewed and dressed hundreds of little Czech dolls, which they offered for sale to promote Czech Days and their heritage. She enjoyed needlework (having made quilts and Afghans for each of her grandchildren), playing cards, and spending time with family and friends. She was always ready to give of her time and talents to the community.

Vivian died on Jan. 25, 1999.

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