

Yankton Area Writer's Club To Meet April 9

The Yankton Area Writer's Club will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 9, at the Fry'n Pan Restaurant, 502 West 21st St., Yankton.

From published authors to hobbyists, from pro to amateur, the Yankton Area Writer's Club is comprised of people in Yankton and the surrounding area, who have a passion for writing and a desire to help aspiring writers by offering readings, critiques, conferences and monthly lessons.

The club is open to all ages, and there are no dues. It meets the second Monday of every month (or the third Monday if the second falls on a holiday).

For more information, contact Nancy Burk at 605-664-6582 or yankton.area.writers.club@gmail.com, or visit <http://www.iw.net/~nnburk/>.

Community Blood Drive Part Of Spring Fling

VIBORG — The Community Blood Drive will be held on April 10 during Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services Annual Spring Fling in Viborg. Hours for the Blood Drive are 8 a.m.-noon and 1:20-2:30 p.m. Anyone interested in donating blood is asked to call the Lab Department, (605) 326-5161, extension 3048, to schedule a time.

In addition to hosting the Community Blood Drive, Spring Fling is organized by Pioneer Memorial as a fundraiser to sponsor a healthcare scholarship for a graduating Turner County Senior, and to support area non-profits and services. This year, \$500 of the funds raised will be allocated to the healthcare scholarship with the remainder of the funds used to support community summer youth programs in Centerville, Hurley, Irene, Parker, Viborg and Wakonda.

The public is invited to participate in the activities during the day which include: a bake sale beginning at 8 a.m., a book sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Free Hearing Communication/Swallow Screens from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. offered by Candace Zweifel, Speech-Language Pathologist, and USD Speech Therapy students, taco bar with brownie served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and an ice cream social from 1:30-3 p.m. Carry-out is available for those interested.

In addition, a cash raffle is being held, \$100 for first and \$50 for second. Raffle tickets can be purchased that day or from any PMH&HS employee. They are \$1 for one ticket, or \$5 for six tickets.

This year, members of the Spring Fling Committee will visit the communities of Parker and Centerville on Monday, April 9 to offer a Pre Spring Fling ice cream social at the Parker Medical Clinic and the Centerville Medical Clinic from 2-4 p.m.

The public is encouraged to attend the Spring Fling and help support summer youth activities and the healthcare scholarship.

SCHOLASTICS

SACRED HEART SCHOOLS

Academic Rolls: Third Quarter 2011-2012 FIFTH GRADE

Roll of Excellence (*: Straight A's) — Bryce Dangler, Kellie Geigle*, Jess Jussel, Noel Kusek, Nick Lehl, Erin McCarthy, Holly Medeck, Brian Nguyen, Kendra Sandal, Miranda Schulte, Sophia Vyborny, Madison Wubben

Honor Roll — Abby Becker, Morgan Buechler, Harlie Hacecky, Walker Hunhoff, Emily Koller, Samantha Kortan, Tyler Lange, Olivia Liebig, Brooke Madson, Evan Mueller, Brandon Peitz, Catherine Perakslis, Jessica Reinhardt, Sydney Sedlacek, Anna Shoberg, Olivia Warriner, Courtney Wenande, Michael Woodmancy

Merit Roll — Joseph Hebda, Alexander Smith

SIXTH GRADE

Roll of Excellence (*: Straight A's) — Shiann Baker, Adele Benoit*, Max Bent*, Kate Budig, Katie Buttolph*, Madie Cordell*, Evan Dvorak, Nathan Eichacker*, Megan Fejar*, Tanner Fitzgerald*, Ethan Fortner, Savannah Frick, Holly Hicks*, Anne Knoff*, Holly Mines*, Quinn Paulsen, Trevor Rafferty*, Cameryn Specht, Carly Vavra*, Jack Wolfgang*

Honor Roll — Dillon Barger, Sara Buttolph, Brendan Callahan, Tori Cass, Abby Cuka, Brady Dangler, Lauren Jensen, Matthew Kreitzinger, Trevor Lange, Hunter Rockne, Koby Schild, Jack Schoenfelder, Maddie Smith, Stormm Yaggie

Merit Roll — Mimi Garcia

SEVENTH GRADE

Roll of Excellence (*: Straight A's) — Cortney Becker*, Keeli Bent*, Sophie Bisgard*, Avery Brockberg, Emily Buttolph*, Blake Cwach*, Katie Hauser*, Belle Heine*, Samantha Kanaly*, Kate Katterhagen*, Kolbi Kennedy, Sophie Kouri*, Kyra Liebig, Haley McDonald, Shannon McDonald, Nicole Mueller, Tasha Mueller*, Alexis Rezac*, Kristen Rezac*, Lauren Rezac*, Rachel Rucker*, Rose Ruffinott, McKenzie Schroeder*, Natalie Shoberg, Brandon Shuey*, Nate Stephenson*, Jacob Warriner, Drew Wenande*, Morgan Wubben*

Honor Roll — Steven Bray, Hunter Cameron, Lucas Carda, Michael Heine, Jordan Kathol, Dylan Kortan, Jordan Payer, Stephanie Schwartz, Trentin Vornhagen, Josh Wintz, Courtney Zimmerman

Merit Roll — Kendra Hunhoff, Keely Schild, James Welter, Miranda Winterring

EIGHTH GRADE

Roll of Excellence (*: Straight A's) — Danielle Dvorak*, Brianna Geigle*, Nicholas Hauser, Spencer Huber*, Adrienne Kusek*, Maddie Manning, Cody Perakslis*, Sean Rolfs, Kenneth Schroeder*, Mason Sundleaf*, Jenna Trail

Honor Roll — Austin Barger, Sydney Ingalls, Jordan Lucht, Danielle Salvatori, Andrew Smith, Mike Strom, Cody Vornhagen, Merit Roll — Adam Heine

YANKTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

3rd Quarter 2011-12 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

6th Grade — James Bouska, Kayla Brown, Taten Gale, Morgan Gandee, Jakoby Goble, Jazmyn Gunderson, Noah Haag, Amanda Hawkins, Ryan Knight, Hannah Kotalik, Taylor Kotschegarow, Ryan Kraft, Cameron Krejci, Casey Krejci, Heriberto Magana, Calvin Masch, Madison McClure, Kendall Megard, Ryan Moderegger, Kiara Monteith, Jacob Nelson, Garek Novak, Tyler O'Donnell, Karley Olson, Aurora Papstein, Alix Peterka, Bailey Peterka, Darin Pinkelman, Devin Roberts, Anna Savey, Lauren Schild, Corissa Schwartz, Katrina Thomas, Dalton Van Buren, Abigail Van Osdel, Austin Wootton, Levi Zimmerman

7th Grade — Jacey Anderberg, Stephanie Anderson, Britney Bradwisch, Avaree Cox, Eric Fitch, Noe Garcia, Justin Groves, Shanna Hill, Chance Janda, Austin Jerke, Kyle Kleinschmidt, Luke Lammers, Dylan Lynde, Makayla Mahowald, Lauryn Perk, Shaun Pinkelman, Shelby Radak, Abbigale Rehurek, Hunter Sanders, Allurah Sasse, Dalton Sawtell, Josie Sayler, Katina Schaeffer, Isaac Schulz, Madison Styles, Carly Turner, Hailey Vail-lancourt

8th Grade — Bashir Abd Al Kreem, Ashley Bilbery, Henry Borgstrom, Grant Cammock, Jaden Christensen, Kourtney Christensen, Tristen Flying Hawk, McKenna Golden, Amanda Gravholt, Trevor Guthmiller, Christopher Haas, Thomas Hill, Colton James, Hannah Johnson, Ciara Kulhavy, Mason Langeland, Joseph Layne, Ben Mooney, Freddy Ortiz, Andrew Peitz, Austin Pippin, Jared Rafferty, Alexis Sejnoha, Bradley Sorenson, Manny Valadez, Ashley VanMeeteren, Riley Vogt

NOTE: In the Sixth Grade Roll of Excellence that ran on Wednesday, March 28, the following names were spelled incorrectly: Lanna Lane, Anna Savey and Mary Schmidt.

How To Downshift In A Prius

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

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Dear Tom and Ray:

Recently my husband and I rented a Toyota Prius in California — which we enjoyed driving, by the way. While driving in our many national parks, I was concerned that there seemed to be no way to downshift the car. Navigating the steep, winding roads caused me to worry that the brakes would overheat. Thankfully, this did not happen. So, what's up with this vehicle? How does a driver prevent the brakes from overheating when cruising down these hairpin curves when there seems to be no way to drop the car into a lower gear? I really don't want to use the Fred Flintstone braking method! It would ruin my shoes! Thanks for answering this. — Susan

TOM: While you can't downshift the continuously variable transmission (CVT) in the Prius, they have created a simulated downshift mode just for this purpose, Susan.

RAY: If you look at the transmission selector, in addition to "P," "N" and "D," you'll notice there's a selection called "B." That's for "braking" mode.

TOM: Like most functions on the Prius, what it does is controlled by the car's main computer, and the details are pretty complex.



CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

But from the driver's point of view, what the "B" setting does is add a "braking" effect, just as if you were downshifting. You'd use it the same way, to prevent the brakes from overheating on a long, steep downhill grade.

RAY: If the car's battery is at less than optimal charge, the "B" mode will first engage regenerative braking, which uses the forward motion of the car to charge the battery. That creates a drag on the wheels, which slows you down a bit.

TOM: If the battery is already sufficiently

charged, or the speed of the car is higher, and the computer determines that it needs more engine braking, the computer then engages the engine through its planetary gear set and makes use of the cylinder compression to slow the car, just like every other car does when you shift to a lower gear.

RAY: These two braking effects can be combined by the computer, depending on the speed of the car, the condition of the battery and the amount of braking that's needed.

TOM: So that's the complex answer, Susan. The simple answer is that you shift into "B" and drive.

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Two YHS Seniors Named BAMAAR Students Of Month

Two Yankton High School seniors, Jordan Hauger and Jenn Granflaten, were recognized as BAMAAR Students of the Month for February 2012.

The award, which received the name BAMAAR because it is sponsored by the building association, manufacturers association and area retailers, was first presented during the 2008-2009 school year. It recognizes outstanding students enrolled in Career and Technical Education classes at YHS and is awarded by Yankton High School in conjunction with the Regional Technical Education Center (RTEC).

Hauger is the son of Brenda and Troy Rueb and Shane and Anne Toupal. He was nominated by Teresa Martindale, his Fashion Design and Employability teacher at YHS, because of his personality, his willingness to learn, and for being a role model to others.

"Jordan is a hard-working, enthusiastic student. He is always chipper, sociable with all students and faculty, and excels academically," Martindale said. "He is involved in many extra-curricular activities, such as the one-act play, and works a part-time job at a local fast food restaurant. He brings much excitement wherever he is, no matter who is there, and this will help him in his future."

For Hauger, who plans to attend Black Hills State University for History and Education, the best part of his Employability class is the fact that it has prepared him for the real world and has taught him to prepare for the future.

Granflaten is the daughter of Betty and Glenn Granflaten. She also was nominated by Martindale, who is her Parenting and Nutrition & Wellness instructor. Martindale selected Granflaten because of her outstanding work ethic and leadership skills.

"Jenn is a fun, energetic student. She excels in her school work as well as on the court. If she is going to be gone, she always comes in and gets her assignments and hands them in completed and on time," Martindale commented. "She is sociable and friendly with everyone in school and encourages others, even serving as a role model to some. All of these things will help Jenn become a teacher after she leaves high school and furthers her education."

Granflaten, who plans to pursue a major in special education, says getting to learn about building a family has been the best part of her Parenting course.

Students, like Hauger and Granflaten, who are enrolled in CTE classes at YHS are eligible for the BAMAAR Student of the Month awards and can be nominated by their CTE instructors. A panel selects up to two monthly winners throughout the school year.

For being named BAMAAR Students of the Month, the students received T-shirts, certificates and other prizes donated by local businesses. A recognition ceremony later this spring will honor all of the monthly winners as well as announce the BAMAAR Student(s) of the Year.

County Nurses To Offer Breastfeeding Class April 18

The Yankton County Community Health Nurses are offering a free breastfeeding class at 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, at the Community Health Office in the Yankton County Government Center, 321 W Third St.

The class is offered quarterly and should be at-

tended in the last 6-8 weeks of your pregnancy. Call the Community Health Nurses office at 260-4400 #1 for more information or to register for the class. Class size is limited to 6-8 women and their support person, so call soon.

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