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# **New At The Library**

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

**ADULT BOOKS** 

- All the Light There Was by Nancy Kricorian; Fiction
- Blessed Are Those Who Thirst by Anne Holt; Fiction
- Bloodfire Quest: The Dark Legacy of Shammara by Terry Brooks; Fiction
  - Breaking Point by C. J. Box; Fiction
  - Butterfly Winter by W. P. Kinsella; Fiction
  - **The End of the Point** by Elizabeth Graver; Fiction
  - Family Pictures by Jane Green; Fiction

  - Fever by Mary Beth Keane; Fiction
    The Guardian by Beverly Lewis; Fiction
  - I'm Not Sam by Jack Ketchum; Fiction
  - Rules of Crime by L. J. Sellers; Fiction
  - Six Years by Harlan Coben; Fiction
  - **Stand By Me** by Neta Jackson; Fiction
- The Supremes at Earl's All-You-Can-Eat by Edward Kelsey Moore; Fiction
- Calligraphy for Greeting Cards and Scrapbooking by Peter E. Taylor; Nonfiction
  - The Customer Rules by Lee Cockerell; Nonfiction
  - Deadline Artists; Nonfiction

  - The Honest Life by Jessica Alba; Nonfiction
    In the Kitchen with the Pike Place Fish Guys; Nonfiction
  - Kiss My Aster by Amanda Thomsen; Nonfiction

  - Law and Disorder by John Douglas & Mark Olshaker; Nonfiction
    National Geographic Guide to Scenic Highways and By-

ways; Nonfiction

- Pass the New Citizenship Test by Angelo Tropea; Nonfiction
   Sewing Solutions by Nicole Vasbinder; Nonfiction
   Starting Your Career as a Musician by Neil Tortorella; Nonfiction

#### ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- Benediction by Ken Haruf; Fiction
- Black Irish by Stephan Talty; Fiction
- The History of Us by Leah Stewart; Fiction
- The Middlesteins by Jami Attenberg; Fiction
  Night Moves by Randy Wayne White; Fiction

#### **ADULT DVDS**

- Playing for Keeps Rise of the Guardians
- Bully; Nonfiction

#### **YOUNG ADULT BOOKS**

#### • Panic by Sharon Draper; Fiction

#### JUNIOR BOOKS

Lindsay the Luck Fairy by Daisy Meadows; Fiction
Middle School, My Brother Is a Big, Fat Liar by James Patterson; Fiction

#### EASY BOOKS

- Are We There Yet? by Sam Williams; Fiction
- **Dino Bites** by Craig Hall; Fiction
- I Want My Mommy! by Tracey Corderoy; Fiction
- I'm Not Reading! by Jonathan Allen; Fiction
  Mister Dash and the Cupcake Calamity by Monica Kulling;

Fiction

• Pete the Cat: Pete's Big Lunch by James Dean; Fiction

#### Matt Maher To Headline MMC Concert

Mount Marty College is preparing to welcome the "All the People Tour" to campus for a special night of music and worship in Cimpl Arena at 7 p.m. Monday, April 29

Two-time Grammy-nominated singer, songwriter and worship leader Matt Maher is set to release his most unique and revealing project yet with the announcement of his fourth album titled, "All the People Said Amen," available April 23. Maher's newest project fuses the popularity of his vibrant live show with several new studio cuts, offering fans an assortment of writing and performance styles.

This project is a real collage of who I am musically," Maher said. "You'll hear intimate worship songs, anthemic praise tunes often sung and shouted aloud together in unison, and celebratory songs that in-spire the whole church. I wanted to deliver something for everyone, and this set captures what my music and ministry have been, where it is, and where it's headed."

Unity and community define Maher's music and ministry, represented by the menagerie of songs on "All The People Said Amen," and also shown in the album's cover art. For it, Maher created a visual scrapbook made up of special moments, placed purposefully, including old tour posters, handwritten lyrics from songwriting sessions live and candid shots with fans, even his own wedding photos. Every item has a story behind it and is a significant part of Maher's songwriting during the last seven years.

# **Assisting The Illusion**

## USD Graduate Helps Illusionist Create His Brand Of Magic

#### **BY NATHAN JOHNSON**

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Want to learn the secrets of Reza's illusions? His personal as-sistant isn't spilling the magic beans.

The illusionist is returning to entertain and mystify Yankton audiences during two upcoming events, the first of which is a fundraiser today (Friday) for the Yankton Homeless Shelter and the Yankton County Contact Cen-

ter/Food Pantry. After seeing Reza's performance at the Dakota Theatre last year, the *Press & Dakotan* hoped to get Christa Kemnitz to share some of her boss's secrets. We may as well have been trying to pull a rabbit out of a hat without

the magic words. "Before I worked with Reza, many of the illusions were a mystery to me and I remember having that sense of wonder," the 24-year-old University of South Dakota graduate said. "I would never tell a secret. Preserving the mystery is what keeps the magic alive.'

With that settled, we decided we would delve into what it's like to be the personal assistant of a touring magician.

Kemnitz has been working with Reza for more than three years, and the two were friends prior to that.

Before each performance, Kemnitz is responsible for preparing each trick so it is ready for an audience. She is also



COURTESY PHOTO Christa Kemnitz is seen here performing during a Reza show. She has been his personal assistant for more than three years.

a presence on stage throughout the show, taking part in and assisting with illusions.

Kemnitz never imagined herself being part of a magic show while growing up.

"I was involved with the dance team in high school, but I didn't have any prior stage experience or specific interest in

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## The Book Shelf **'Arctic Adventure' Is Heart-Warming Book**

"The Impossible Rescue: The True Story of an Amazing Arctic Adventure" by Martin W. Sandler, Candlewick Press, 2012. 176 pages.

#### **BY PAT HANSEN**

So you're ready for winter to be over and spring to warm your cold, weary bones? Take a wintery walk through the pages of this book and you'll realize we're living in the tropics here in South Dakota with our pampered lives.

The year is 1897. Whaling, or hunting large whales, is a big industry. Their bones and other parts are used in various ways, including making corsets to keep the ladies' figures looking slim. The Arctic is a prime whaling spot. Normally the ships can safely stay until mid-September before ice sets in. However, in 1897 the temperature drops dramatically and ice blows in from the sea. Eight whaling ships are trapped in the ice along with hundreds of men. The Arctic is not a place that lends itself to winter survival, especially for those not prepared with food and supplies, which the men are not. Without help, the men will die.

One ship is able to break free and race to San Francisco to alert others of the whalers' plight. In those days of no cell phones, news doesn't travel fast.

A daring rescue plan is hatched. The United States Revenue Cutter Service (the forerunner to the US Coast Guard) will go as far north as possible. It will drop off several skilled and brave men who will make the trip

# The True Story of an Amazing Arctic Adventure

to the Arctic over land. As they travel over the frozen and unforgiving terrain, they will convince several owners of reindeer herds to give up their herds, which will be driven all the way to the Arctic where the deer will provide much-needed food for the stranded men. Food for the men will literally be delivered on the hoof.

MARTIN W. SANDLER

However, reindeer have never been herded over such a long distance even in the summer, much less over the brutal winter. The chances of such an endeavor being successful? Pretty low.

Three men are selected to carry out the bulk of the rescue. Their sacrifices will be great. It's terribly risky and they may never return home. One leaves behind a wife who is pregnant. But they feel it's a risk they have to take; they can't abandon the stranded men.

The trip is harrowing and mind-boggling. They will need to enlist the help of guides and be able to replenish their own supplies along the way. Their best-laid plans will need to be changed and adapted as they go along. Every step of the journey is difficult. Ice

cuts the sled dogs' paws so badly they can no longer walk. Blizzard after blizzard hits. Tem-peratures hit -40 F. Frostbite, injury, illness, or losing a limb to the cold are always a possibility. More than once the men question if they can go on; question if this is just a fool's quest.

This book is for ages 10 and up, but 10-year-olds will probably get bogged down in this book. It's very detailed, with numerous maps and photographs. The rescuers split up - the book follows each group's progress and setbacks. The book is very thorough, which makes it one that teens and adults will appreciate. It's the story of an amazing rescue attempt, made more extraordinary by the tremendous effort and sacrifices of many people.

Whether the snow flies or the warm sun shines, sit down with this book. It will warm your heart.

# **International Travel**



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Also joining Matt on the tour will be three-time Dove Award winner Chris August and the exciting new band, Bellarive. This past summer, August released his sophomore album, "The Upside of Down." Tickets go on sale this Friday, March 22, at www.itickets.com. For

more information contact events@mtmc.edu.

#### Centerville Council Presents 'Dearly Beloved'

CENTERVILLE — The Centerville Arts Council, Inc. cordially invites you to attend the comedy play "Dearly Beloved" which will be presented in the Centerville School Gold Gym, Centerville.

Performances are set for Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 24, at 2 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door. Wedding cake, punch and coffee will be served during intermission.

#### **Easter Basket Making Day In Vermillion**

VERMILLION — There will be an Easter Basket Making Day at the W. H. Over Museum in Vermillion from 2-3:20 p.m. Saturday, March 23.

Participants will create a simple basket and have an egg/candy hunt. There will be games, probably egg carrying and pin the tail on the rabbit along with treats.

#### **Gospel Singing Convention In Viborg Sunday**

VIBORG - The Southeastern South Dakota Gospel Singing Convention will be holding its quarterly gospel singspiration at the United Methodist Church in Viborg on at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 24 The church is located on the south end of Main Street in Viborg. The event is free and open to the public.

The Singing Convention is a nondenominational effort to preserve the heritage of singing old-time hymns and gospel songs in four-part harmony. The convention has been together for more than 10 years. They meet quarterly at various churches across the area. The afternoon will be spent with singing from a hymnal that contains more than 1,000 hymns and southern gospel style songs.

Alan Ward of Viborg directs the singing and various pianists from around the area accompany the singing. Everyone is encouraged to come join in the singing and fellowship.

For more information, you may contact the Singing Convention Secretary at 605-212-9011.

#### MMC Presents 'Breadth Of Heaven' Tuesday

The Mount Marty College theatre department, in cooperation with MMC Campus Ministry, will present "Breadth of Heaven," a Lenten reflection on the Last Supper, Agony in the Garden, and Stations of the Cross on Tuesday, March 26, beginning at 7 p.m. in Marian Auditorium.

The presentation, under the direction of Andy Henrickson, Director of Theatre, will run approximately 35 minutes. The performance is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Sr. Mary Jo Polak, Director of Campus Ministry, 668-1547, or Andy Henrickson, Director of Theatre, 668-1533.

#### Easter Egg Hunt Set For Vermillion Tuesday

VERMILLION - The men of Beta Theta Pi and the women of Alpha Phi, both at the University of South Dakota, are hosting an Easter Egg hunt for children aged 2-10, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, at Prentis Park in Vermillion.

Prizes will be available. This is a free event.

# **Inspires Photography Exhibit At USD**

VERMILLION - University Libraries at the University of South Dakota is showcasing student photography with the exhibition "Images from Abroad" now through May 3.

Located on the first floor of the I.D. Weeks building in the Academic Commons, the exhibit presents photographs taken by USD and Cosumnes River College students, who participated in a faculty-led study tour of Ireland, Wales, England and France last summer. While course work for the students from USD focused on Ireland and "The Book of Kells," the photographs in the exhibit, which is free and open to the public, show the students' range of vision and emotional response to their travel experience.

The study tour was led by USD Art Department Professor Carol Geu and Cosumnes River College Professor Kathryn Mayo. USD's Art Department is South Dakota's only art program offering the professional B.F.A. studio art and B.F.A art

### **Easter Egg Hunt Set For Sertoma Park**

There is an Easter Egg Hunt at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 30, at the Sertoma Park, Yankton.

There will be eggs galore and many great prizes. The age groups include: 0-2, 3-4, 5-7, and 8-9. The hunt is sponsored by Lewis

### Larry The Cable Guy Set For S.F.

SIOUX FALLS — Larry the Cable Guy, a multiplatinum recording artist, Grammy nominee, Billboard award winner and one of the top comedians in the country, will "Git-R-Done" at the Sioux Falls Arena at 8 p.m. May 10.

Tickets are available at the Sioux Falls Arena box office, www.ticketmaster.com, charge-by-phone at 1-800-745-3000, or at all Ticketmaster outlets.

Larry the Cable Guy has his own line of merchandise and continues to sell out theatres and arenas across the United States. Larry has created The Git-R-Done Foundation, which was named after Larry's sig-

education degrees with emphasis areas in ceramics, graphic design, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. The USD Art Department also offers the state's only M.F.A. graduate studio degree while the nationally-ranked photography department at Cosumnes River College offers both vocational and fine art degrees with an emphasis in visual expression.

For more information about this or upcoming exhibitions, contact Alison Erazmus, director of the University Art Galleries, at Alison.Erazmus@usd.edu or call at (605) 677-3177; or contact Danielle Loftus, University Libraries Fine Arts Librarian, at Danielle.Loftus@usd.edu or (605)

677-5123. To view photographs of exhibitions and other University Libraries events, "Like" the University Libraries Facebook page at www.facebook.com/USDLibraries or visit the University Libraries website at www.usd.edu/library.

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Currently, Larry is the host of

"Only in America" with Larry the

Cable Guy for History, which has

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across the country revealing bits of

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# Feed Set For Tuesday

Yankton High School Student Council and Yankton High School Competitive Cheer will be hosting their annual Chili Feed and YHS Idol on Tuesday, March 26, in the Yankton High School Commons (Chili Feed) and Main Theatre (Idol).

The Student Council will be serving Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Cinnamon roll, dessert, juice and coffee. Serving from 5-7 p.m. Following the Chili Feed YHS Students will be showing their talents in YHS Idol starting at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased

from a Student Council member or calling the High School at 665-2073.

Funds from raised from the Chili Feed will go to the Chil-dren's Miracle Network. The CMN is state project for the South Dakota Student Council Association. Member SDSCA have raised thousands of dollars for the CMN which helps to provide additional funding for children's hospitals. The money raised stay with the local children's hospitals in South Dakota: they are Sioux Falls Sanford Children's Hospital and Rapid City Regional Hospital. Funds raised during the YHS Idol will help support Competitive Cheer.

