

'Home' depicting a soldier reading a letter from home to sit between the *Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan* and the post office. That seemed like an appropriate location because of the letter and the post office and the *Press & Dakotan* and its support of Charlie Battery."

Other sculptures were strategically placed along high traffic areas so that if someone was driving by they might be enticed to stop and learn more about RiverWalk.

Viewer participation is certainly necessary for the project to continue and the committee said they hope to get the public excited about the sculptures by voting for their favorite piece.

"We will have a People's Choice ballot and RiverWalk fans can vote for their favorite sculpture at the Visitor's Center, G.A.R. Hall and online," Scheve said. "We are trying to work out a deal with the city so they will purchase the People's Choice award winner and give it a

permanent home in the community. We haven't worked all the details out but hopefully that will be accomplished."

Scheve said she hopes the project will spur other people to take an idea and run with it.

"Personally, I am very proud of this project," she said. "This is a group of young professionals who really learned how to start and finish a project and how an idea can really become reality. It was a learning process and I'm really extremely proud of it."

"It's really neat to see a younger demographic become involved and come in and make things happen in a small community like Yankton," Meylor added. "The only other sculpture installations like this in the area are in Rapid City, Sioux Falls and Sioux City. It is really inspiring to see this happening in Yankton."

The group hopes that the RiverWalk experience will inspire its visitors as well.

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Taking Flight by Adam Weiss

## Celebrate Better Hearing & Speech Month by Recognizing the Typical Signs of Hearing Loss in Children



- Inconsistently responding to sound
- Delayed language and speech development
- Unclear speech
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- Does not respond when called
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