

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **Cross My Heart** by James Patterson; Fiction
- **The Governor's Lady** by Robert Inman; Fiction
- **The Land of Dreams** by Vidar Sundstol; Fiction
- **No Man's Nightingale** by Ruth Rendell; Fiction
- **Possession** by Kat Richardson; Fiction
- **The Residue Years** by Mitchell S. Jackson; Fiction
- **Roxy's Story** by V. C. Andrews; Fiction
- **Sins of the Flesh** by Colleen McCullough; Fiction
- **Three Can Keep a Secret** by Archer Mayor; Fiction
- **The Valley of Amazement** by Amy Tan; Fiction
- **Vanished** by Wil S. Hylton; Fiction
- **Amish Quilts** edited by Lynn Koolish; Nonfiction
- **A Cruel and Shocking Act** by Philip Shenon; Nonfiction
- **Tips for Quilting** by Staff of The Old Country Store; Nonfiction

YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

- **The Fiery Heart** by Richelle Mead; Fiction

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **Big Nate: I Can't Take It** by Lincoln Peirce; Fiction
- **The Desperate Adventures of Zeno & Alya** by Jane Kelley; Fiction
- **The 9 Lives of Alexander Baddenfield** by John Beldmans Marciano; Fiction
- **The Animal Book** by Steve Jenkins; Nonfiction

EASY BOOKS

- **Brownie Groundhog and the Wintery Surprise** by Susan Blackaby; Fiction
- **Erik the Red Sees Green** by Julie Anderson; Fiction
- **5 Minute Snuggle Stories** from Disney Press; Fiction
- **The Snowman's Wish** by Harmen van Straaten; Fiction
- **You Are the Pea, and I Am the Carrot** by J. Theron Elkins; Fiction

FAMILY DVDS

- **Monsters University**

Cowboy Christmas Set For WJ Ranch

The 12th annual "Cowboy Christmas" will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 1 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. each day at the WJ Ranch, located 7 miles south of Yankton just off of Highway 81.

This old-fashioned family Christmas event will feature arts & crafts from more than 50 sources displayed in a unique country setting along with horse & buggy rides, pony rides, trick roping shows, crafts for kids, family activities, refreshments and much more.

There is no admission charge, so bring the whole family. For more information, visit www.schiferlswjranch.com/.

Lesterville Fire/Rescue Dance Saturday

LESTERVILLE — The Lesterville Fire Rescue Fall Dance will be held Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Lesterville Community Center. The event runs from 8 p.m.-midnight.

For more information, contact Janelle Munkvold at (605) 760-3284 or jmunkvold29@gmail.com.

YAA's 'Tour Of Homes' Is Sunday

Yankton Area Arts will be hosting the annual "Tour of Homes" on Sunday, Dec. 1, running from 1-4 p.m.

Celebrate the holidays with Yankton Area Arts with an afternoon of touring five uniquely decorated Yankton homes and ending with a dessert reception and shopping experience at the Crimson Door Holiday Show at G.A.R. Hall Art Gallery, 508 Douglas Ave, Yankton.

For more information, contact Jackie Quinn at Yankton Area Arts at (605) 665-9754 or yaa@iw.net, or visit www.YanktonAreaArts.org/.

Gayville-Volin Band Concert Dec. 5

GAYVILLE — Gayville-Volin Middle School and High School students under the direction of Meghan Powell, director of Vocal and Instrumental Music at Gayville-Volin, will present their winter concert, "Sounds of the Season" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, in the Gayville-Volin Gymnasium.

This concert will feature the band and two choirs performing traditional literature and classic songs that will prepare you for a joyous holiday season.

This event is free and open to the public.

Bach's Lunch Concert Series To Begin

The Bach's Lunch mini-concert series will again take place at Yankton's Trinity Lutheran Church, Fifth and Broadway, throughout December. The lunches will begin each time at 11:45 a.m. The concerts will start at 12:15 p.m.

The first concert will be held in the Old Sanctuary on Dec. 5, titled "We All Sing Christmas" with music of Advent and Christmas led by Reverend Anna Peck.

The second concert will take place in the same location on Dec. 12, titled "The Pipe Organ Sings" with music by Sister Mariel Kang.

The third and last concert will be held in the New Sanctuary, titled "Voices of Christmas" by Jessica and Kenneth Tice.

For more information, contact Marilyn Nyberg at 665-5662 or e-mail at nyberg@midco.net.

The Book Shelf

This 'Bully' Will Brighten Your Day

"The Call of the Bully," by Scott Starkey, Simon & Schuster, 2013. 272 pages. (for ages 8-12)

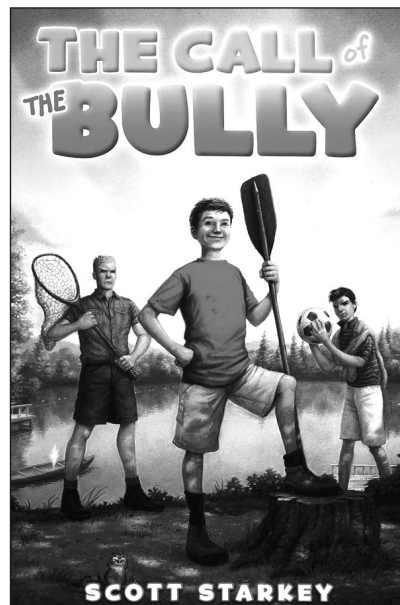
BY PAT HANSEN

Does it ever seem like a black cloud is following you around, waiting to drop cold raindrops on you, blocking out any sunlight that might try to come your way?

Rodney Rathbone feels your pain. After being the new kid at school this past year, he somehow survived being targeted by the class bully, Josh, and his crazy-mean teacher, Mrs. Lutzkraut. The summer was looking good with Jessica as his girlfriend. Then Mrs. Lutzkraut convinces his parents that eight weeks away at Camp Wy-Mee would be good for him. Goodbye, Jessica!

To make things even worse, Mrs. Lutzkraut convinces Josh's parents of the same thing. So as this book begins, Rodney is trapped on a bus with Josh, who is ready to pound him into the ground. There's no way he'll be as lucky this summer as he was last school year. Some dumb luck, combined with quick-thinking by Rodney, saved him from Josh's wrath as well as making him a hero.

Without giving too much away, Rodney survives the bus ride. His first few moments at camp, though, earn him a tough enemy, one much smarter than Josh and much richer. Todd is like king at



camp and seems ready to forgive Rodney. It seems like Rodney's lucky day. That is, until someone sets off fireworks in another cabin. And somehow Todd remembers seeing non-existent fireworks in Rodney's bag. It seems Todd has it in for Rodney after all.

Not everything is terrible, though. First, there's Tabitha. With her green eyes, she catches Rodney's eye. Too bad

she also catches Todd's eye. What chance does Rodney have against Todd's money? The other good thing is Rodney's roommates. Yes, they're a little weird but they're kind of fun too. Maybe camp will be alright after all even if the camp director has it in for Rodney.

When his roommate suggests they sneak over to the girls' cabins one night, Rodney's up for the adventure. Things are going great until the director's wife busts them right inside the girls' cabin. His roommates make a getaway but Rodney has to think quickly. A wig, and voila! He becomes Rodweena, the new girl in camp. The director's wife is much impressed with Rodweena's character — impressed enough to invite him to a girls' tea. Rodweena has no intention of going, but after he finds out a dirty trick has been pulled on him, he's ready to go undercover to find out who did it. And being a girl in the director's fancy house is just the way to do it.

Rodney's greatest challenge is still to come though. The fate of Camp Wy-Mee will soon be resting on his scrawny shoulders.

As in the first book in this series that I reviewed, Rodney will captivate you with his luck (bad and good) and his ability to get into and out of tight spots. So some cold cloudy winter day, pick up this book. It's an enjoyable ray of sunshine.

Yankton Library

December Is A Flurry Of Activities

BY KATHY JACOBS
Yankton Community Library

While there's no measurable snow on the ground yet, it can't be far away. On those cold winter days and nights or when you need a rest from the holiday bustle, join us at the library for activities or check out an item to listen to, view or read. We have everything from the old holiday favorites to the newest stories available in multiple formats.

Christmas Stories on Demand begin Dec. 1 and run through Dec. 23. If we see children in the library, we will ask if they'd like to hear a Christmas story. If you come in and would like a story read to your children or grandchildren, just ask at the desk. We'd love to read you both new stories and old favorites.

This year, the library is hosting Santa's Workshop during the week of Dec. 2 as a way for children and teens to get into the holiday spirit by making ornaments and gifts for friends and family. The workshop is open during the following times: Monday from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, from 10-11:30 a.m. and 3:30-5 p.m. each day.

Children are welcome to come once or several times throughout the week. Preschool children must be accompanied by an adult or teen. All supplies needed to make ornaments and gifts are provided by the library. There are easy-to-assemble items for the little ones and more challenging projects for older children and teens.

After-school movies begin at 3:45 p.m. On Dec. 12, we'll show "Despicable Me 2." On Dec. 19, "Elf" is our feature

presentation. Beginning in January, we will show a movie every Thursday at 3:45 p.m., with a mixture of G and PG titles. Check our calendar for details.

Our monthly display in December is holiday items for all ages. We will continue to restock the display all month as items are checked out and returned and new ones added to the collection.

Readers Anonymous, our afternoon book club, will discuss Lisa See's "Snow Flower and the Secret Fan" at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10. This club, which is open to new members, meets the second Tuesday of each month.

Between the Lines, our evening book club which is also open to new members, meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. On Dec. 17, they will discuss "Where the Heart Is" by Billie Letts.

In the spirit of fun, the library is hosting an Ugly Sweater Day because who doesn't love ugly sweaters! On Dec. 17, wear your favorite Ugly Sweater and join in the fun! Last year, only two patrons participated. We're hoping to increase that number this year. You'll want to check out the staff's sweaters either in person or on Facebook!

If you are looking for a unique gift idea and one that will keep giving the entire year, consider giving a library card to someone on your list who lives outside the city limits of Yankton. Stop at the desk and the staff will gladly assist you. Library bags are another great stocking stuffer, no matter what

the age. A library bag is the perfect place to store your library items at home and a great way to teach your children how to keep track of library items.

We collected 214 cans of vegetables in November. Everyone is invited to bring new socks of any style or size during the entire month of December as a part of your holiday giving, with donations going to the Contact Center.

Parents' Night Out will be Saturday, Jan. 18, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Summit Activities Center. The Parks and Recreation Department and the library are again partnering to sponsor an evening of fun for 6-12 year-olds. There will be board games, crafts, gym time, swim time, and pizza for dinner. Registration opens at the library on Jan. 2. Scholarships are available for 20 children.

Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10-12:30 p.m. Friends is always

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