

New At The Library

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

ADULT BOOKS

- **Bones Never Lie** by Kathy Reichs; Fiction
- **Deadline** by John Sandford; Fiction
- **Dick Francis's Damage** by Felix Francis; Fiction
- **The Distance** by Helen Giltrow; Fiction
- **Full Measure** by T. Jefferson Parker; Fiction
- **Ghost Wanted** by Carolyn Hart; Fiction
- **Neverhome** by Laird Hunt; Fiction
- **Night of the Jaguar** by Joe Gannon; Fiction
- **No Safe House** by Linwood Barclay; Fiction
- **Paris Match** by Stuart Woods; Fiction
- **Queen of Hearts** by Rhys Bowen; Fiction
- **The Silent Sister** by Diane Chamberlain; Fiction
- **A Sudden Light** by Garth Stein; Fiction
- **Tangled Lives** by Hilary Boyd; Fiction
- **Top Secret** by W.E.B. Griffin; Fiction
- **Undead and Unwary** by Mary Janice Davidson; Fiction
- **The Water Rat** of Wanchai by Ian Hamilton; Fiction
- **The Witch with No Name** by Kim Harrison; Fiction
- **You** by Caroline Kepnes; Fiction
- **The Zone of Interest** by Martin Amis; Fiction
- **Sergeant Stubby** by Ann Bausum; Nonfiction

ADULT AUDIO BOOKS

- **All Day and a Night** by Alafair Burke; Fiction
- **The Drop** by Dennis Lehane; Fiction
- **Five Days Left** by Julie Lawson Timmer; Fiction
- **Heroes Are My Weakness** by Susan Elizabeth Phillips; Fiction

ADULT DVDS

- **Neighbors**

JUNIOR BOOKS

- **Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Making Money** by Tommy Greenwald; Fiction

EASY BOOKS

- **The Farmer and the Clown** by Marla Frazee; Fiction

The Bookworm ... For Kids

A Fun Take On The Alphabet

"Kay Kay's Alphabet Safari" by Dana Sullivan; © 2014, Sleeping Bear Press; 40 pages

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

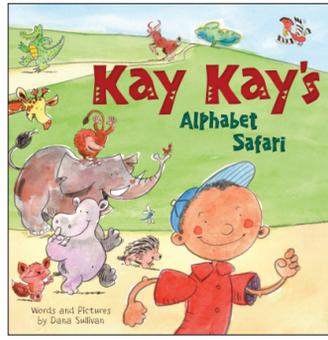
You've looked high and low. There's something very important that you can't find, even though you've searched everywhere: beneath your bed, inside your closet, in your car seat, behind the sofa. It's not in the kitchen, in the bathroom, or the car. You don't know what to do.

So why not follow what's in "Kay Kay's Alphabet Safari" by Dana Sullivan? Think — because what you're looking for might be right under your nose!

It was a beautiful, sunny day, and Kay Kay planned to enjoy it. With a smile on his face, he strolled past Bungoma's new village school and he heard the children call his name. They were proud of their new classroom, and they wanted him to see it.

Kay Kay looked around the classroom and saw shiny floors. He saw brand-new desks and plain white walls that practically begged for someone to paint something on them. Kay Kay told the children that he would paint animals A to Z on the wall.

But which ones?



Like many people, Kay Kay thought best when he was moving, so he used his feet and his brain to go to the countryside. There, he met Ant, but there'd be no chatting because Kay Kay was deep in thought.

A few feet down the path, Baboon and his friends wanted to dance, but Kay Kay couldn't take even a minute for that. He had to think of animals, A to Z.

Fox was having a tea party not far away, but Kay Kay didn't have time for tea. He couldn't settle an argument for Jackal, there'd be no games with Leopard, and absolutely no jokes or riddles with

Porcupine, either. Snake could daydream on his own and Warthog would have to run around with his friends by himself, because Kay Kay was busy thinking. This animal A to Z stuff was very, very hard!

And then, suddenly, it hit him! The answer was right in front of him, and he had to get to work quickly. But, of course, there was one thing missing: what could he paint on the wall that starts with a "K"?

Based loosely on a true story of a talented Kenyan taxi driver and the "very real" Star of Hope School, "Kay Kay's Alphabet Safari" is a cute A-B-C book based on animals. For small children, that kind of thing can't be beat.

But author-illustrator Dana Sullivan adds a nice surprise for slightly older kids, too: in the back of this book, you'll find a behind-the-scenes story of how this book came to be, as well as more information on Star of Hope, Kay Kay himself, and a website filled with videos and photos. If they're up for more, your kids can also learn to say a few words and funny phrases in Swahili.

Find this book for 2-to-4-year-olds, share it with 5-to-6-year-olds, and you won't be sorry. If your children want A-B-C in a different kind of F-U-N, "Kay Kay's Alphabet Safari" might be just what they're looking for.

Menno

Annual Oktoberfest Slated For Oct. 18

MENNO — It's that time of year again when everyone will be heading to Menno for the annual Oktoberfest, set for Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Menno School gymnasium. The event is sponsored by the Sodak Stamm Germans from Russia Historical Society.

Oktoberfest will start a German buffet dinner beginning at 6 p.m. Featured will be homemade sausage, German potato salad, sauerkraut, baked apples, pickled watermelon and a salad bar. Dessert is the famous German kuchen in every imaginable flavor. A bake sale is held during the evening also. At 7:30 p.m., the Bockfest Boys from New Ulm, Minnesota, will perform.

Arrangements include overtones of ethnic polkas, German folk music, country, rock and roll, American folk, blues and bluegrass.

This year, only 400 tickets will be sold. Tickets can be purchased at the following places:

- Schoenfish CPA in Parkston — 928-7241
 - David Mogck in Tripp 935-6781 (or Candice Mogck at the bank)
 - Eugene Weidenbach in Scotland — 583-4470
 - Menno State Bank — 387-5111
 - Wyona Hofer in Freeman — 925-7218
- You may also call Gary Jerke (583-4544), Donna Zeeb (387-5577) or Vi Ranney (665-3596) for tickets.

State Talk



Marilyn Kratz of Yankton, the South Dakota Council of Teachers of English's (SDCTE) current South Dakota Author of the Year, was the guest speaker at the state conference banquet held Oct. 3-4 in Mitchell. She is the author of more than 400 articles, stories, and poems. Kratz, who grew up in South Dakota on a farm between Scotland and Tyndall, received her degree in teaching from Southern State Teacher's College in Springfield, her BA in Elementary Education from Yankton College, and her Master's Degree in Elementary Education from the University of South Dakota. Kratz spoke to the conference attendees about her personal journey as a writer, and she read excerpts from her latest book, "Feed Sack Dresses and Wild Plum Jam."

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Benefit Show Set For Wagner Tonight

WAGNER — Jeremiah Sundown will be performing at a benefit show at Dogger's Dive in Wagner tonight (Friday), running from 9 p.m.-midnight.

The performance is part of a Pink Ladies fundraiser. Special guest is John Otte (Dakota Backroads). Happy hour is from 6-8 p.m., with the concert beginning at 8 p.m.

Sundown is known for his traditional country songs, "that is where my heart truly lies... Songs of hard times, good times, songs of love, the lord, family, home and country."

For more information contact Dogger's Dive at (605) 491-4821.

Young Artists Show Winners Announced

TYNDALL — The winners in the Young Artists Show at the Art & Antique Gallery in Tyndall are as follows:

- Ages 6-9 — First Place: Eve Kucera; Honorable Mention: Joaquin Archambeau, both of Verdigre Public Schools;
- Ages 10-13 — First Place: Ashlee Gerber (Armour); Honorable Mention: Cole Swanson (Niobrara Public Schools);
- Ages 14-18 — First Place: Cassandra Holland; Honorable Mention: Makayla Rozicka, both of Verdigre Public Schools.

There were more than 50 entries in this judged competition. Different mediums used by the young artists are: Photography, clay, pastel, oil, acrylic, pencil, paper mache' and tempera. Communities represented are Armour, Avon, Lennox, Parkston, Tyndall, Tabor, Springfield, Yankton, Wagner, Niobrara and Verdigre.

Visitors to the exhibit will still be able to vote for the People's Choice Award until Oct. 31 during regular business hours of Wednesday through Saturday 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Hudson Shad Performs At SAC Tonight

Hudson Shad returns for their fourth tour in the Midwest, which will include an appearance in Yankton at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Friday) at the YHS/Summit Activities Center theater. The show is part of the Yankton Area Concert Association season series.

Hudson Shad was formed back in the 1990s by modeling themselves after a famous German group called the Comedian Harmonists which had been popular in Europe prior to World War I. When Hudson Shad gave their German debut in 1995, they were hailed as the first equal heirs to the Comedian harmonists, and this reputation still precedes them as they are welcomed with great enthusiasm, not only in Germany but also throughout Europe.

Between 1997 and 2006, Hudson Shad has performed 80 concerts throughout the Midwest, doing three different programs: "Comedian Classics," "Magic Moments" and "Cowboys of the Opera."

What sets Hudson Shad apart from other groups of their genre is their consummate professionalism and flawless musicianship, and their use of piano accompaniment rather than singing a cappella.

Season memberships for 2014-2015 will be sold at the door tonight, or you can contact Vi Ranney at 605-66503596 or Betts Pulkrabeck at 605-463-2206 for membership information.

MADC Fall Craft, Vendor Blender Set

MENNO — The third annual MADC Fall Craft and Vendor Blender will be held on Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Menno City-School Auditorium. Doors will open at 9 a.m. and shopping will continue until 3 p.m.

Teresa Anderson, event coordinator, has stated that there will be a very broad mix of offerings at this year's event, with local artisans and vendors from across the region offering handcrafted items, tasting samples, and business specials.

Proceeds from the Vendor Blender will go to the Menno Area Development Corporation for ongoing and future business and community projects. Past projects of the MADC have been the painted signs that greet visitors coming into the city, as well as the clean-up and maintenance of various properties within the community for future business development.

Concessions will be available that day, and many vendors will be offering door prizes. There is no admission charge to attend the Fall Craft and Vendor Blender.

Authors To Speak At MMC Tuesday

Mount Marty College will host the next Great Plains Writers' Tour at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Marian Auditorium, with a presentation by acclaimed authors Patrick Hicks and Joe Weil.

A former Visiting Fellow at Oxford, Hicks is the Writer-in-Residence at Augustana College as well as a faculty member at the low-residency MFA program at Sierra Nevada College. He has lived in Northern Ireland, England, Germany and Spain, but has returned to his Midwestern roots. When not writing, he enjoys watching thunderstorms roll across the prairie with his British wife, and he is a sucker for playing in the backyard with

his 5-year-old son, who was adopted from South Korea.

Joe Weil has published four chapter books and five full length books of poetry to his credit, the two most recent of which are, "The Great Grandmother Light, new and selected Poems," 2013 (NYQ books) and "West of Home" (Blast Press). He has read his work on NPR, Pacifica Radio, the PBS poetry special, "Fooling With Words," hosted by Bill Moyers, and in



Hicks



Weil

2013, he won the People's Poetry Award from the Blue Collar Review for his poem, "The First Time I got up Early." Currently, Weil teaches at Binghamton University. He is married to poet, Emily Vogel, with whom he collaborates with — as witnessed by their two children (born a year apart) and their book, "West of Home."

This event is free and open to the public.

All Statehood Celebration Event Tickets Reserved

PIERRE — All of the tickets for seating at the upcoming Statehood Celebration and South Dakota Symphony Orchestra performance in the State Capitol have been reserved.

The free tickets for seating on the second floor of the Capitol became available on Monday, Sept. 15, and all were reserved by 11:20 a.m.

While the limited seating on the second floor has been spoken for, standing room only will be available on the marble grand staircase and in the balconies above the rotunda floor.

The special event at 7 p.m. CDT on Nov. 1 will commemorate South Dakota's 125th anniversary of statehood. The event includes the dedication and lighting ceremony for the newly restored stained glass in the Capitol and a performance by the orchestra in the Capitol Rotunda.

The evening statehood celebration will be the final event in the Capitol that day. A rededication of the newly refurbished First Ladies Inaugural Gown exhibit is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on the first floor. The unveiling of the three latest statues of former governors by the Trail of Governors is scheduled for 1 p.m. in the Rotunda. The earlier events are also free and open to the public, but do not require a ticket for limited available seating.

Yankton Native To Discuss Her Music Career Tuesday

Paulette Schmidt will be a guest speaker at Yankton Area Arts' G.A.R. Hall at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14. She will discuss her music career and here life in Germany.

Schmidt was born in Denver but grew up in Yankton. She began singing lessons at the age of 11 with Sister Madonna, O. S. B., at Sacred Heart Grade School and continued with Sister Jeanette Klimisch O.S.B., at Mount Marty High School through her first year at Mount Marty College.

She left for Baltimore, Maryland, to attend the Peabody Conservatory of Music where she received a Bachelor of Music Degree in 1967 and a Master of Music in 1968. During the five years she spent at the Conservatory, she made her debut with James Levine singing the soprano solo in Gustav Mahler's "Symphony No. 4" and Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream." Her performances immediately increased to two and three concerts per week, traveling to all parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and expanding to the TV, radio and performances throughout the entire East Coast and other parts of America.

While still at the conservatory, she won the Maria de Varady Award and made her debut with the New York City Opera. Several months later she finished her Master's Degree and left for New York. It became well known that

she was not only accomplished in the classics but able to sing Avant garde pieces. In the 10 years she was in New York, she premiered many modern works and promoted the works of American composers. It was at this time that she was invited to sing in Berlin, Germany and other cities in Germany. While in Germany, she was engaged to sing oratorios, chamber music, recitals and performances of new works.

She has been in Germany for 36 years. She has been singing and teaching voice, breathing and speech to singers, actors for stage, TV and films and television moderators.

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