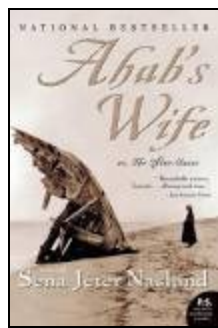


# Reader's Corner

*Ahab's Wife Or, The Star-Gazer*  
Sena Jeter Naslund



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“Captain Ahab was neither my first husband nor my last.” The first sentence of *Ahab's Wife Or, The Star-Gazer* sets the tone for the rest of the novel. In language reminiscent of the best of 19th-century literature, Una tells her story of growing up in a lighthouse, going to sea as a cabin boy, her marriage to Ahab, and her later experiences. As she weaves a story that brings together threads from many of the social and historical happenings of the time, she includes personalities of that era as well as characters from Herman Melville’s *Moby Dick*. *Ahab's Wife* is as fitting a companion for *Moby Dick* as Una was for Ahab, but you may find her story much more enjoyable.



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### Hours

Monday - Thursday . . . . . 10am—9pm  
Friday . . . . . 10am—6pm  
Saturday . . . . . 10am—5pm  
Sunday . . . . . 1pm—5pm

# NEWSLETTER May 2013



## Summer Reading Program

Summer is nearly upon us; it's time for another Summer Reading Program! Like last year, every age group has a special theme. Preschoolers, *Little Diggers*, will have special Storytimes and craft events. K-5, *Dig into Reading!*, will feature events such as Craft Mondays and Kids Garden Club. Grades 6-8, *Beneath the Surface*, events will include Magic Class and Painted T-shirts. Lastly, High School and adults, *Groundbreaking Reads*, special events include Blind Date with a Book and Book Club.

A full schedule will be available on our website.

Opening Celebration & Registration starts June 1st 2:00-4:00.



## Zinio on Library iPads

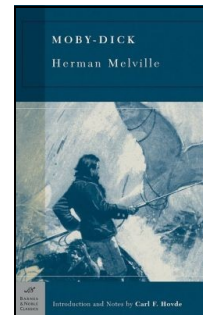
The Library has combined two of our resources to create one enjoyable experience for our patrons. We have loaded our online magazine subscription Zinio onto the iPads we have available for check out within the Library. All you have to do is check out an iPad at the Service Desk, find a cozy chair, and enjoy! Ask at the Service Desk for details.

## New Spring Exhibit

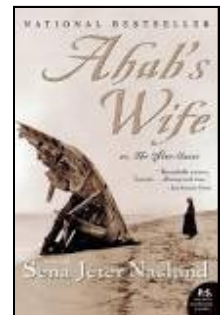
This year the Historical Center exhibit features the growth of the West Fargo Public Library from Middle School students selling “I Support a West Fargo Library” buttons in 1970 and the first Library in a storefront on Sheyenne Street in 1971 to our current location in the Lodoen Center. See how the Library has worked hard to keep up as West Fargo has grown.



## 3 Communities • 2 Books • 1 Art Exhibit



West Fargo Public Library, Fargo Public Library, Moorhead Library, and Plains Art Museum are joining forces to present a six month, multi-media exploration of Herman Melville’s *Moby Dick* and Sena Jeter Naslund’s *Ahab's Wife or, The Star-Gazer*. Programming will include book discussions, showings of John Houston’s 1956 classic film, and an exhibit at Plains Art Museum, *T. L. Solien: Toward the Setting Sun*. The work in the exhibit was inspired by *Moby Dick* and *Ahab's Wife*.



## May Holidays

*The Library will be closed Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.*



# May Events

## Adults

### Technology Mondays @ 6:30

**\*Beginning iPad @ the Library** (5/6) (Training Room)

**\*YouTube** (5/13) (how to upload & edit videos) (Meeting Room)

**\*1-on-1 Tech Class** to cover material from one of our beginning computer tech classes Limited to one 30 minute appointment during the above sessions. **Registration Required.**

\*Monday (5/20) 5:00-8:00 (Study Room)

\*Wednesday (5/22) (5/29) 3:00-5:00 (Study Room)

## Weekly Events

**Genealogy Saturdays** 12:00-4:00 (Historical Center)

The staff genealogist is available for questions at this time.

**Knitty Giddy** Tuesdays 6:30 (Upper Lobby)

New and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome

**New Movies @ 2:00** (Meeting Room)

*Guilt Trip* Saturday (5/11) PG-13, 95 min.

*Rise of the Guardians* Saturday(5/25) PG, 97 min.

**Just for Fun Movie @ 11:00** (Meeting Room)

*The Librarian, Return to Solomon's Mines*

Wednesday (5/8) PGNR, 92 min.



## Special Events

**Make Mother's Day Pins**

Saturday (5/11) 1:00-2:00 (Meeting Room)

Make and take project for Mother's Day (while supplies last).

Stay for the 2:00 new release show!

**Quilt Exhibit Ends May 13!**

**Free to All-Books and More!** Saturday (5/11) 12:00-4:00 (Training Room)

We have a large selection of VHS movies and many books to be offered for free. Bring your own bag and take whatever you want. No Fee!

**\*If this Teacup Could Talk!** Monday (5/13) 7:00-8:00 (Homework Center)

Bring your teacup and its story and experience different teas and tea history.

We would also like to discuss having a book club with the tea group.

**\*Registration is appreciated for all events; however registration is required for events marked with a \*. Sign-up at the Service Desk or call 433-5460.**

All events are free, unless noted; see [www.westfargolib.org](http://www.westfargolib.org) for more details!

# May Events

## Children

### Movies

**Friday Morning Movies @ 10:30** (Meeting Room)

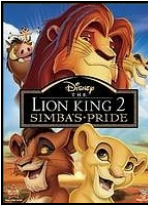
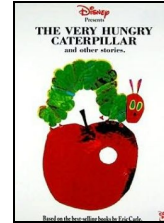
*The Very Hungry Caterpillar* (5/3) E, 32 min.

*A Trip to the San Diego Zoo* (5/10) E, 55min.

*Shapes and Sizes* (5/17) E, 30 min.

*The Lion King 2* (5/24) G, 81 min.

*The Safe Side* (5/31) E, 42 min.



### Storytimes

**Simply Stories on Tuesdays @ 10:15** (Children's Corner)

*Storytimes below include stories and a simple make and take craft.*

**Tuesdays 1:30** (Children's Corner)

My Special Mom (5/7) ▪ Go Fly a Kite (5/14)

Dazzle! (5/21) ▪ Spring Showers (5/28)

**Thursdays 6:30** (Children's Corner)

May Flowers (5/2) ▪ What Moms Can't Do (5/9)

Stuck (5/16) ▪ Shine (5/23)

Drip Drop (5/30)

### Homework Center

Monday through Thursday (3:00-5:30)

Get ready for those last tests! Study with your friends and receive an after school snack!

*May 16th is the last day that the Homework Center will be open until next school year.*

## Open to All

**All about Birding!** Monday (5/6) 7:00 (Meeting Room)

Keith Corliss, an avid bird watcher and volunteer instructor for the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, will present a program on different aspects of birding to start you on a lifelong hobby!

**Video Gaming @ the Library**

Sunday (5/5) and (5/19) 2:00-4:00 (Training Room)

All ages are welcome to play Nintendo Wii, and Xbox Kinect.

Come and join the fun!

**Book Discussion on *Moby Dick* theme: The Quest**

Thursday (5/23) 7:00-8:00

Lead by: Derek Jorgenson. This is part of the 3 ● 2 ● 1 program.

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