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Linda Daugaard at Rapid City Public Library North

Rapid City, SD – April 4th, 2011 – Libraries are where most of us had our first taste of literacy. During library story times we discover our first heroes. Sitting down to a good book we find our first adventures. The Millennial Generation now utilizes Wifi afterschool or accesses social media from library computers. Throughout these generations, a library provides a community with the tools, foundation and encouragement for a lifetime of learning and growth.

As a part of our National Library Week and South Dakota Library Week celebration, the Rapid City Public Library and the General Beadle Community School are happy to host Linda Daugaard, former librarian and wife of Gov. Dennis Daugaard, at the Rapid City Public Library North location inside General Beadle Community School.

The event will take place at RCPL-North on Wednesday April 13th 10:30. We cordially invite members of the media to come listen to the First Lady present some of her favorite stories to General Beadle 2nd grade students and discuss the importance of literacy in South Dakota. Afterwards there will be a brief question and answer session in the library.

This is will be one of a few statewide where the First Lady will promote libraries and literacy with her *It Begins with a Book* campaign. In a partnership with the South Dakota State Library, posters and bookmarks will be distributed to public and school libraries statewide with the same slogan:

If interested in attending please call me at your convenience, 394-6139 ext. 2229.

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The Rapid City Public Library has served the Rapid City area since 1879, and now has two locations, the downtown library at 610 Quincy Street and the north library within General Beadle Elementary School at 10 Van Buren St. Both offer print and electronic resources for adults, young adults and children as well as computers and Internet access and a variety of programs and events. In March 2008, USA Today named the Rapid City Public Library's downtown library as one of the nation's 10 greatest places to "Find a Nook and Read a Book."

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