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**Library will Host Two Fun-Filled Discovery Day Programs in January**

Rapid City, S.D. – Jan. 7, 2011 – The library is excited to offer two No School Discovery Day programs for children when school is out in January.

On Monday, Jan. 17 children of all ages are invited to have fun learning about food. Sharon Guthmiller, Pennington County Extension Office Consumer Science Educator, will read stories with food themes and talk about good nutritional habits for children. At the end of the program those attending will get to make a healthy snack to eat at the library or take home. Guthmiller will be accompanied by a special guest puppet, Butterscotch the Dog.

On Tuesday, Jan. 18 backyard birds and owls will be the featured topics. Maggie Engler, board member of the newly formed Black Hills Raptor Center, will teach children about birds they can see in their own backyards with an emphasis on birds that come to feeders. She will also talk about raptors that live in Rapid City including owls. Engler will have two feathered friends with her, a screech owl and a great horned owl. Each child will have the opportunity to make a pine cone bird feeder to take home.

Both programs take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Downtown library located at 610 Quincy St. and from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the North Library located at 10 Van Buren St. in General Beadle Elementary School.

Find out more about library resources, services and events at [www.rapidcitylibrary.org](http://www.rapidcitylibrary.org).

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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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