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“Lusty Librarian” Calls Rapid City Library One of the Best

Rapid City, S.D. – May 13, 2010 – Regular commentator on NPR’s Morning Edition, literary critic and author, Nancy Pearl, said, “One of the best libraries I’ve ever been at is the library in Rapid City, South Dakota.” Pearl’s comment was made yesterday when being interviewed on KPCC, Southern California Public Radio, in response to a question about library’s and the future of library jobs.

In 2008, Pearl named the Rapid City Public Library one of the ten great libraries in the country to “find a nook and read a book” in USA Today, commenting, “When I first walked into this beautiful library, I was struck by how sunny, vibrant and yet cozy it felt.”

Deemed the “lusty librarian” by the Los Angeles Times, Pearl is known worldwide for her knowledge of literary works, book recommendations and librarian action figure. She is also the best-selling author of Book Lust, a commentator and a literary critic.

Pearl’s full interview on KPCC can be listened to at: <http://www.scpr.org/programs/patt-morrison/2010/05/12/worthy-of-a-librarian-action-figure-nprs-nancy-pea/>.

Read more about Pearl at www.nancypearl.com. Find out more about library resources and events by visiting the Rapid City Public Library website at 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."

Find video footage of RCPL events at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/rapidcitylibrary>

Find photos of RCPL events at: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/rcpl/>