

**At The Gaiety Theatre**

**STARDUST**

Playing at the Gaiety Theatre, Glenboro, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>; starring Claire Danes, Robert DeNiro and Michelle Pfeiffer; Rated PG 13, over at 10:10 p.m.; Comedy/Romance/Action/Adventure.

A young man named Tristan tries to win the heart of Victoria by going on a quest to retrieve a fallen star. His journey takes him to a mysterious and forbidden land beyond the walls of his village. On his odyssey, Tristan finds the star, which has transformed into a striking girl named Yvaine. However, Tristan is not the only one seeking the star. A king's four living sons – not to mention the ghosts of their three dead brothers – all need the star as they vie for the throne. Tristan must also overcome the evil witch, Larnia, who needs the star to make her young again. As Tristan battles to survive these threats, encountering a pirate named Captain Shakespeare, a trader named Ferdy the Fence along the way, his quest changes. He must now win the heart of the star for himself as he discovers the meaning of true love.

**BOUQUET**

To those who plan, work, & donate, the Fall Supper was wonderful, well organized, lots of great food, & no waiting. Well done. Sharon Leader

**Janita Van De Velde's globe-trotting first novel to benefit World Vision**

Ever wondered what it would be like to quit your job and travel around the world? You're about to find out! In her first novel, *Postcards Never Written*, Janita Van de Velde writes a witty and hilarious account of a globe-trotting adventure. The heroine of her story embarks on a journey across the continents with her boyfriend, who might just be the one – especially if their relationship can survive the trip. Travelling together can't be that hard, can it? She experiences moments of extreme clarity while baiting great white sharks in the Indian Ocean, getting tossed from a bridge high over the Zambezi River and hurling herself from a plane in New Zealand. Her adventures are riddled with bouts of imagined malaria and real spells of gastro-intestinal difficulties.

She chronicles her entertaining stories with no excuses or apologies, until she sends the sanitized postcards home to her parents. After all, why worry them?

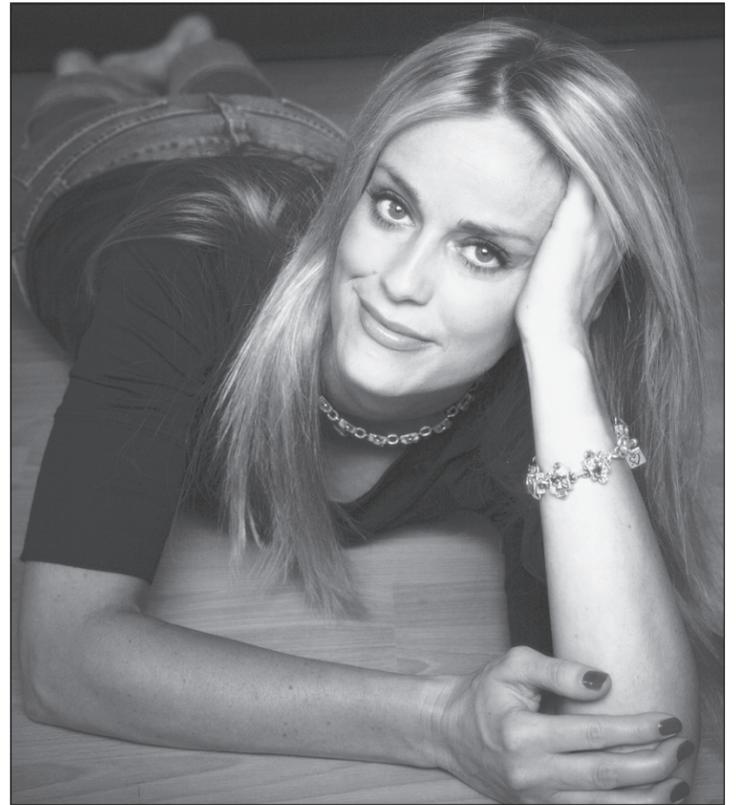
Janita and her husband, Roddy, embarked on a similar journey in 2001. "I was inspired to write this book for several reasons," says Van de Velde. "I wanted to give readers something to laugh about, because we could all use a little more humour in our lives. I also find it funny that

no matter how old we get, we still attempt to hide the whole truth from our parents. It took me a while to realize that my parents know me better than anyone else on this planet." Although the book is a work of fiction, it's loosely based on their adventures. She's not telling which stories are real and which ones are complete fabrications. She'll leave that up to your imagination!

A portion of proceeds from the sale of Van de Velde's book will be donated to World Vision to help those less fortunate. "While travelling and meeting people who have no material possessions to speak of," says Van de Velde, "I've become convinced that we've been given more than we'll ever need in this lifetime. The line up of people willing to help should always be longer than the line up of those in need."

Janita Van de Velde grew up on a farm near Mariapolis, Manitoba. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural economics from the University of Manitoba, and has worked for a financial institution since graduating. She lives in Regina, Saskatchewan, with her husband Roddy and their son Jack. *Postcards Never Written* is her first novel.

To order a copy of her book, visit her website at [www.janita.ca](http://www.janita.ca)



Janita Van de Velde's book is now available at [www.janita.ca](http://www.janita.ca) Janita, formerly of Mariapolis, MB is now living in Regina, SK. PHOTO SUBMITTED

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