

LIFESTYLES

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Incorporate DEAR into your life

Summer continues to race by at top speed. I hope you have all had a day or two to do nothing but read.

Some schools have something called DEAR, which I would love to incorporate into my life. It stands for “Drop Everything and Read” and for 15 to 30 minutes, the entire school or class will stop whatever they are doing and read; read whatever they want, but just read. So if the next time you come into the library the staff are all reading, grab a book and join us, maybe I’ve decided that library staff need to occasionally “Drop Everything and Read.”

In the meantime, here are some new books you may want to borrow from the library and read yourself.

Sherlock Holmes is bored, so when the King of Sweden enlists his help to decipher the Kensington Rune



Diane
ADAMS

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Stone discovered by a farmer in Minnesota he jumps at the chance to determine whether the find is a hoax or authentic. Thus begins *Sherlock Holmes and the Rune Stone Mystery* by Larry Millett. This is a fun look at a piece of Minnesota history as viewed through the eyes of one of the greatest literary detectives in history.

New tales of Sherlock Holmes seem to be all the rage (at least among mystery authors) and *The Titanic Tragedy* by

William Seil imagines Holmes and Watson on board the titanic carrying out a secret government mission when important submarine plans for the US Navy are stolen and they find themselves with a list of suspects, but we all know tragedy will soon strike. Can they solve the case and carry out their business before the ship goes down?

Sparta by Roxana Robinson looks at the price of war in human terms. We’ve probably all heard the saying ‘going from peace to war can make a young man into a warrior,’ but the reverse – going from war to peace can destroy him. Conrad Farrell has just returned home after four years in Iraq and can’t figure out how to recover from his past, imagine his future and he definitely doesn’t want to occupy his

present. What can we do to help those who fight for our freedom to return to a peaceful life?

While we are considering human nature, take a look at *The Love Song of Jonny Valentine* by Teddy Wayne which looks at fame and our obsession with it. Jonny Valentine is only 11, the current icon of bubblegum pop and deep down he knows his fans don’t love him for who he is, but what he does, and how he looks. But he finds himself perplexed about his heartthrob status and what it means to him. What is the price we put on those to whom we hero worship? Is it healthy for any of us?

Typhoid Mary has always been a fascinating historical character and Mary Beth Keane in *Fever* brings to life Mary, the world and the times in which she lived.

ENGAGEMENT



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ASHLEY STEWART AND DEREK FOSS

Roy and Kristen Stewart, Lancaster, Minn., and Robert and Lori Foss, International Falls, Minn., announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Ashley Stewart and Derek Foss. A Saturday, Aug. 10, 2013, wedding is planned in International Falls.

MEMORIAMs

In honor of the 86th anniversary of **Ardath “Punk” Wentz’s** birth, Aug. 5.

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow;
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn’s rain.
When you awaken in the morning’s hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush;
Of quiet birds in circled flight,
I am the soft star that shines at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there; I did not die.*

**Loved and missed
by her children -
Terry, Carol, Robin,
Laurie and Kay
and their families**

In loving memory of **Donnie Hull Jr.**, Aug. 7, 1982, and **Donnie Hull Sr.**, Aug. 17, 2012.

*Sad are the hearts that love you,
Silent are the tears that fall;
Living without you both,
Is the hardest part of all.*

**Loved and missed
by all your family**

In memory of my love, dad and grandpa, **Leslie W. Thayer**, who passed away two years ago, Aug. 9,

2011.

*God saw you were getting tired,
And a cure was not to be;
So He put His arms around you,
And He whispered, “Come with Me.”
With tearful eyes we watched you suffer,
And saw you fade away;
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands put to rest;
God broke our hearts to prove,
He only takes the best.*

We think about you every day and we miss you being with us.

**We love you and miss you -
Sharon Forsythe
Scott Forsythe
Bonnie and
Gordy Helderman
Destiny and Briana
Shayna and Sienna**

In memory of my love, dad and grandpa, **Leslie W. Thayer**, who passed away two years ago, Aug. 9, 2011.

*God looked around His garden,
And He found an empty place;
He then looked down on the earth,
And saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you,
And lifted you to rest;
God’s garden must be beautiful,*

*He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering,
He knew you were in pain;
He also new in heaven,
You would never hurt again.
He saw the road was getting rough,
And the hills harder to climb;
So He closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered, “Peace be thine.”
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you didn’t go alone;
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
If tears could build a staircase,
And memories a lane;
We’d walk all the way to heaven,
And bring you home again.*

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In loving memory of **Carl Kantor** on the anniversary of his death, Aug. 7, 1998.

*Dearest One,
Sweet memories of our life together
linger still.
Your spirit walks closely beside me
through each season of the year.*

**Lovingly,
Lorraine**

PET OF THE WEEK

Hi, my name is “Cordy.” I am a sweet, playful pup who is looking for her forever home. I love to play in the water and I enjoy the company of other dogs and cats. I’m told it isn’t necessarily “natural” for a dog to like cats, but I guess that is just something that is unique about me? When I go for walks, I like to bounce or trot when I am supposed to be walking. I can’t help it, I am just a happy girl. I know the most basic of commands, “sit.” I know if you are willing to be my teacher that I can and will learn more commands, just for you, because you ask me to and I want to make you happy. Please drop by the Holding Facility and visit me. I love making new friends. Who knows, you may just



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want to take me home with you. — Sincerely, Cordy

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