

LIFESTYLES

SHARE YOUR STORY

The Journal welcomes ideas for stories about people in our community who have gotten married, graduated, joined the military, etc.
Call the Journal at 285-7411

Computer programming crash course planned

Discover Tech exhibit continues at the library through March 14. Join us Thursday afternoon, Feb. 6, beginning at 4 p.m. (and repeated Saturday, Feb. 8, at 10 a.m.) for a crash course in computer programming with Scratch. This program is for anyone who would like to learn the basics of computer programming ages 10 and up. Students need to be fairly strong readers.

I am always pleased when I check the New York Times Bestseller list and we have most of the top fiction and non-fiction titles. We currently have nine of the top titles for fiction and non-fiction and I know that the 10th title is on order.

So, in alphabetical order by title, here are the fiction titles currently on the list: *First Love* by James Patterson, *First Phone Call from Heaven* by Mitch Albom, *The Goldfinch* by Donna



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Tartt, *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd and *Sycamore Row* by John Grisham.

The non-fiction titles on the bestseller list by author include: *David and Goliath* by Malcolm Gladwell, *Things that Matter* by Charles Krauthammer, *Killing Jesus* by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard, *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai with Christina Lamb. The last title that has been ordered but not yet received at the library is *Duty* by Robert M. Gates.

Remember these

titles are generally not sitting on the shelves, but are being read by other residents of the community. You may request that they be held for you either on your own or ask us to help you request any that sound interesting.

In the meantime, stop in the library and see what is sitting on the shelf, just waiting for someone to read it. Here are a few that were around when I wrote the column.

The Tilted World by Franklin and Beth Ann Fennelly takes place in 1927 as the mighty Mississippi threatens to burst its banks and engulf everything in its path including the tiny hamlet of Hobnob, Miss. The federal revenue agent Ted Ingersoll arrives trying to track down two missing fellow agents and soon finds an abandoned baby boy in the middle of a crime scene.

The Cartographer of

No Man's Land by P.S. Duffy takes place in 1916 Nova Scotia. Angus MacGrath seeks in own purpose in life as well as the life of his adventurous brother-in-law missing among the World War raging in Europe.

The almost non-stop cold, wreaking havoc on health and outside time has many adult and probably even more children fighting cabin fever. Take a look at our arts and crafts books for new ideas to keep the blahs away.

The new book *The Artful Parent* by Jean Van't Hul provides over 60 simple ways to fill your family's life with art and creativity. Another new craft book with great and very simple ideas is *Craft-a-Day* by Sarah Goldschadt. This book has a weekly theme and then a daily craft idea around that theme, so enjoy gnome week, or egg week or even sailboat week.

PET OF THE WEEK



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Hi, my name is "Forest." I am a large, gentle boy who is pretty quiet. I like to get out of my cage as soon as I possibly can and play with my favorite toy — the little stuffed mouse that smells so good. I heard one of the humans say it smells like "cat nip." I don't know what that is, but I sure like it. I throw my toy up in the air and hop around. I am looking for a home where I can help the wonderful person who adopts me read the newspaper and work on a computer. I am very helpful that way. In case you were wondering, I wouldn't mind having a brother or sister — I like the younger

ones better. When there were kittens at the Holding Facility, I would play and play with them; it was such fun. Now that they have moved on, it is pretty quiet here. I am the most playful one here at the Holding Facility. I must tell you though, I am a gentleman who would like to find his forever home sooner than later. I have patience, but I can't wait to start my new life. Let's work on getting that to happen soon. — Sincerely, Forest

For more information, visit the website at www.borderlandhumanesociety.org or call 218-324-2313 or 283-9276.

Make plans now for home purchase, repairs

USDA REPORT

Now that the holidays are over, it is time to think ahead to spring and look into the purchase of a home or make those necessary home improvements.

USDA, Rural Development, a federally funded agency, has loan funds available to low income households for the purchase or construction of new homes.

In addition, for those who own their own

homes, low interest home improvements loans are available to very low income households.

All applicants must meet established income guidelines, have acceptable credit and be able to show repayment ability.

Grants to remove health and safety hazards from existing homes are also available to people age 62 and older who qualify.

The USDA Rural Development office located in Bemidji services the coun-

ties of Beltrami, Clearwater, Itasca, Koochiching and Lake of the Woods.

For more information or to request an appointment, call the USDA, Rural Development Office at 218-751-1942, ext. 4, or write to USDA, Rural Development, 3217 Bemidji Ave. N., Bemidji, MN 56601.

Also visit the USDA website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/mn>.

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MEMORIAMs

In loving memory of our dear father and grandfather, **Robert R. Scholler**, who passed away two years ago, Feb. 6, 2012.

*God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree;
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea.
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night;
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight.
Then God combined these qualities,
There was nothing more to add;
His masterpiece was now complete,
He lovingly called it Dad.*

**Sadly missed and loved by
Bobby, Suzie, Jennifer and Mariah**

In loving memory of our beloved father and grandfather, **Cy Kirvan**, who died 33 years ago, Feb. 7.

*Peacefully sleeping, resting at last;
The world's weary troubles and trials are past.
In silence he suffered, in patience he bore;*

Till God called him home, to suffer no more.

**Sadly missed by
June
Bobby
Suzie
and Jennifer**

In loving memory of our dearest Dad and Grampa, **Conrad Underdahl**, who went to Heaven 23 years ago, Feb. 4, 1991.

We love and miss you so very much — special and precious loved one.

*If we had just one wish,
It would be for a stairway that reached up to Heaven
So we could bring you, Mom (Gramma), Gary and Wayne home!
Until we meet again.*

**Lovingly remembered and sadly missed
by your daughter, Bonnie and grandchildren, Wendy, Jeff and families
XO XO XO**

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