The Diversity Club at the Petoskey High School was created and organized by and for students. This club is a place where kids join together to learn about different cultures and to learn a little bit about themselves. Many of the members also hope to help students understand that every single person is different from the next, and this is something that we cannot control. The club wants to show others that these differences are not a reason to hate or be disrespectful of others, but instead an opportunity for learning and growth. There is one thing that all students have in common at a very base level: they are all humans.

Many of these students have faced some uncomfortable discrimination at school. They have been shouted at. They have been told that they “don’t belong.” They have been called names while walking down the hall. Some have seen Nazi and other inappropriate hand gestures in the hallway. Many have also been attacked under the guise of humor and then teased that they “can’t take a joke.” The students in the Diversity Club are afraid that this type of taunting will never stop and that perhaps society is moving backward.

The dreams of the Diversity Club members are similar to all of our dreams… they want to feel safe and live their lives. Their dreams sound familiar: going to college, going to art school, becoming a therapist to help others, becoming a musician to share experiences, living in the greater multi-cultural community, feeling safe.

While some of these club members have been harassed while in school, they do have a few safe havens available to them. Mrs. Lesky and Mrs. Patterson’s rooms are places where they can relax and be themselves. They also stated that the Petoskey District Library is a place where they know all the staff will treat them kindly. They especially like the teen area for the support and welcoming atmosphere. They like to just hang out or attend programs and browse the collection of materials to read and listen. “It’s just nice to have another place in town to feel safe.”

The Diversity Club would love to see the library host different events where people can come together and learn that differences are OK. They also think discussions about tough topics to help people learn about those differences are imperative, to help people learn how to listen and ask hard questions of each other. The safety they feel in the library comes in part from the trust the Diversity Club has in the staff to speak up if someone sees or hears something that could be hurtful. This is an easy ask. Everyone in our community could commit to speaking up when hearing a comment that come across as racist, sexist, or hurtful in other ways. If we all work on reminding our peers to be more mindful of our words, it can go a long way towards peace and kindness. The Diversity Club partnered with the Petoskey District Library to create the graphic images for the library’s #supporttheirstories community read events. See page 5 for more information about this summer’s community read.
YOUTH PROGRAMS

FROM THE DIRECTOR
VAL MEYERSON
231.758.3120

"I’m sorry to bother you…”

This is a comment the library staff hears quite a bit, and one that always concerns us because our number one priority is taking care of our patrons. We are never bothered when you ask us questions! I know it seems as if we are busy when we are at our desks, but we are busy waiting for our next patron interaction. Even though there are plenty of tasks to accomplish on a day-to-day basis, we do them between patron interactions. We are masters of multi-tasking!

All staff have projects they are working on – but truly, we are all here for you and look forward to you “bothering us!” The departmental staff, when not assisting you in finding a new favorite read or helping on the computers, are ordering and processing new materials, program planning, and trouble-shooting all sorts of problems. Our circulation staff are always working on moving items to and from other libraries, creating and setting up displays, planning a book discussion, or organizing outreach materials.

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Story Adventures with TOPOnexus

Join TOPOnexus for an active outdoor adventure beginning at the outdoor labyrinth with a short story, followed by a mini walking route (a half mile or less). We will use our senses (including wonder!) to explore four themes that make Petoskey special – water, rocks, trees, and town. Wrap up at the labyrinth with an exciting book hunt and leave with your own book. Bring strollers, good walking shoes and whatever you need for an on-foot adventure! This program is appropriate for children ages 3–8 years old, siblings are always welcome! Registration is required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7
TUESDAY, JUNE 14
11:00AM–12:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

Outdoor Storytime

Read, talk, sing, write, play! That’s what we’ll do today! Storytime models these five practices to support development of early literacy skills. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate in the fun and learning! Storytime is for toddlers and preschoolers. Please feel free to bring something to sit on outside.

MONDAYS • 11:00AM–11:30AM
JUNE 27–AUGUST 8
Outdoor Labyrinth

Chess Tournament

We are overjoyed about the end-of-year PDL Championship Tournament! This will be a 5 round mini-Swiss style tournament with a time control of G25d5 (25 minutes per side with a 5 second delay before the clock starts counting).

SATURDAY, JUNE 18
1:00PM–7:30PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

Graphic Novel Club

Do you love reading graphic novels? Do you like talking comics? Join us to explore a different middle-grade graphic novel each meet up. We’ll talk about the book (no need to read it beforehand) and complete a fun activity!

TUESDAYS • 1:00PM–1:45PM
JUNE 21, JULY 5, JULY 19, & AUGUST 2
Outdoor Labyrinth
FROM THE DIRECTOR
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While all these projects are important and need to be completed, they always come second to helping you – the patron that is in the building.

I think the reason many people are hesitant to ask for help is because the library can be intimidating and many think that they should “know” how to find things. Believe me, we understand that the library is confusing and it can be hard to locate materials, which is why there are staff on each floor to help. So, please ask away, bother us, and help us do our jobs!

**Eureka! with Michigan Science Center**

Imagine where we would be without inventions such as the light bulb, microwave oven, or even our favorite toys. Join us as we explore the unexpected and amazing tales of how these everyday modern marvels came to exist and celebrate the scientists and inventors who made them possible.

**FRIDAY, JULY 15**

11:00AM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

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**The Inner Seas Harp and Guitar with The Stapletons**

Join us for a sea shanty good time! The Stapletons will perform music of The Inner Seas. The show features traditional sailing songs that began on the ocean and then traveled inland during the sailing era on the Great Lakes. All ages are welcome at this event.

**MONDAY, JULY 18**

2:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

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**Planetarium with Michigan Science Center**

**WHAT’S UP? YOUR GUIDE TO THE NIGHT SKY**

Learn about the motion of the sun, moon, and stars as we investigate the dark sky objects we can see from our very own backyard. During each session, our educator will give tours of the current night sky using the Discovery Dome’s star projector, featuring bright stars, constellations, planets, and more!

**FRIDAY, JULY 22**

THREE SHOWS:
1:00PM, 1:40PM, 2:20PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

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**Activity Thursday**

Drop in for an outdoor activity!

**EVERY THURSDAY IN JULY**

12:00PM–5:00PM
JULY 7, 14, 21, & 28
Outdoor Labyrinth

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**Baby Bounce**

Learning begins at birth and you are your baby’s first teacher! Join Miss Lisa for music, movement, and play. We will help little ones build early literacy skills while bouncing, singing, exploring board books, and playing together. For babies 3–24 months and their grown-up(s).

**TUESDAYS • 11:00AM**

JULY 19, JULY 26,
AUGUST 2, & AUGUST 9

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**Paws to Read**

This summer kids can practice reading to LadyAnnaBella, an adorable Shih-Tzu therapy dog, who will be here with her owner Sandra. By reading out loud to a dog who doesn’t judge how well the child reads, the child’s self-consciousness disappears and their confidence grows. Call 231.758.3112, email childstaff@petoskeylibrary.org or stop by the children’s department to schedule a 15-minute session to read to our fun furry friend!

**WEDNESDAYS • 12:00PM–2:00PM**

JUNE 15–AUGUST 10

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**SUMMER IS ALWAYS THE BUSIEST TIME OF YEAR AT PDL, AND WE LOVE IT! PROVIDING THESE UNIQUE, AMAZING PROGRAMS FOR THIS COMMUNITY IS OUR PASSION.**

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We released racing pigeons from the outdoor labyrinth when the Flying Clovers came to visit in May!
PDL Summer Teen Book Bundles
Sign up to get a book bundle, complete with a YA book, craft kit, and snack! You can sign up on the library website, or call 231.758.3113. This summer’s YA book bundle is Darius the Great is Not Okay by Adib Khorram.

Register between June 1–June 15, pick up bundles on Thursday, June 23 at the teen desk.

Teen Study Labs
The end of the school year means exams, at least for those in high school. We will have plenty of space, snacks, and stress-relieving activities available for our hardworking teens!

JUNE 6–JUNE 9
AFTER SCHOOL–6PM
Makerspace & Teen Area

Alice in Wonderland Tea Party
Join us for a fun-filled afternoon with food, games, and cosplay! The theme is Alice in Wonderland, chosen by the Teen Advisory Board. Come as you are, as White Rabbit, Cheshire Cat, or even the Queen of Hearts! There will also be a one-shot D20 RPG, facilitated by Ethan Roth.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30
3:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

Teen STEM Grab & Go Kits
All kits are put together by members of the Teen Advisory Board and will be available while supplies last at the teen desk! Activities are from NASA@ MY Library and STARnet Libraries.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21:
Build Your Own Spacecraft
TUESDAY, JULY 19:
Filtered Light
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16:
Edible Destruction

JULY

Let’s Make a Comet
Watch and learn as Nisa, Teen Services, makes a comet, using (mostly) household items! This program was created and shared by the Griffith Observatory in Los Angeles, CA.

TUESDAY, JULY 5
3:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

Teen Game Night
Join us the fourth Thursday of the month for gaming fun! We have board games, card games, tabletop RPGs, and our Nintendo Switch!

JUNE 23, JULY 28, AUGUST 25, 4:00PM
Teen Area
**Apple User’s Group**

If you use Apple technology products (iPhone, iPad, Apple watch, Mac), or have an interest, please join us to share and learn from one another in a friendly environment. Mary Jean Meyerson, instructor and Apple enthusiast, will lead the group on various topics and be available for most questions during the hour-long meeting, or as time permits.

**THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**JULY 20, AUGUST 17**

Library Classroom

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**Beginner Brush Calligraphy**

Try a new hobby! Learn the 8 basics strokes and other fundamentals of brush pen calligraphy. This program is for teens and adults and lefties are welcome! Supplies will be provided for all attendees.

*Registration is required.*

**FRIDAY, JULY 22**

**2:00PM**

Library Classroom

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**Far Out Space Trivia**

Test your knowledge of the universe beyond our own blue planet. Snacks for everyone and prizes for the top three trivia masters!

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4**

**5:00PM**

Makerspace

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**Time Traveling with Tacos and Telescopes**

Join us as we peer back into the mists of time, thanks to the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)! We will celebrate the first images from the JWST with tacos, a life-sized TARDIS, and a DELOREAN! A subject matter expert from the University of Michigan will be here to show us what the telescope has found so far.

*This program is part of NASA@MY Library.*

**THURSDAY, JULY 14**

**7:00PM**

Outdoor Labyrinth

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**End of Summer Reading Ice Cream Social**

You have worked and played hard all summer...now we celebrate with ice cream! Join us for games, ice cream, and music, plus a great opportunity to turn in your bingo card for prizes!

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 12**

**3:00PM**

Outdoor Labyrinth

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**Java User’s Group**

If you use Java technology products (JavaSE, JavaFX, Android), or have an interest, please join us to share and learn from one another in a friendly environment. Mary Jean Meyerson, instructor and Java enthusiast, will lead the group on various topics and be available for most questions during the hour-long meeting, or as time permits.

**THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**JULY 20, AUGUST 17**

Library Classroom

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**Resources Training**

Get personalized technology assistance and instruction on your own device or public computer. Learn about the free digital library resources available with your library card—including how to download eBooks, eMusic, eMagazines, and stream movies. Instructional, self-paced sessions in MS Word & MS Excel, Google Drive, Docs, Sheets, and Forms are also available. Call the library at 231.758.3124 to schedule an appointment.
Page Turners Book Club
Our book club meets the third Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm in the Large Meeting Room. Titles are selected quarterly by the participants. Join us for a discussion and refreshments inspired by the story! New members are always welcome. Registration is appreciated, but not required. JULY 19: NO MEETING

Tai Chi
Gathers weekly to move, breath, meditate, belong, and share. We are responsible for our own movement, within our comfort zones, while sitting or standing. Tai Chi is led by Jean Fought, she teaches Yang Style Tai Chi with its martial arts applications. Anyone regardless of experience is welcome. Weather permitting.

PUPS Ukulele Group
Come and join the PUPs (Petoskey Ukulele Players), a group of amateur, self-taught musicians open to new members of all ages and skill levels. We offer a play-as-you-learn experience which is best suited to ages from young adult to senior citizens. We share advice, some instruction and lots of information and resources for newbies. For more information, please contact Kathy Brady (kathypoqa@yahoo.com) or Mary Clinton (mclinton@msn.com)

Great Decisions
Join us for an informal study of topics compiled by the Foreign Policy Association as the most critical global issues facing America today. We look forward to meeting with other curious minds in the quest to understand the world a little better. Registration is required.
Pick from two monthly sessions: TUESDAY, JUNE 14 6:30PM–8:00PM (Zoom only) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15 3:30pm–5:00PM (Zoom or in-person) Library Classroom TOPIC: Myanmar and Asean

Bumps in the Night
Join a local paranormal research group with 20 years experience to learn all about the paranormal, including who they are, what they do, and how they do it. Bumps in the Night offers investigations and research of residential and commercial locations. This program will be offered virtually on Zoom and in-person. Registration is required for Zoom access.

AUTHOR WADE ROUSE
Join McLean & Eakin and PDL to welcome author Wade Rouse (pen name Viola Shipman) as we celebrate his new books, Magic Season and The Edge of Summer. Please RSVP by contacting books@mcleanandeakin.com or 231.347.1180 providing your name, email address and the number of people in your party.

DIY Succulent Terrariums
Join us to make your own succulent terrarium! Plants and terrarium materials will be provided. Glass jars will be limited, if you have a small to medium size favorite glass jar you would like to use, please bring it with you! All ages are welcome. Attendance and supplies are limited. Registration is required.

Suit to Saddle: Cycling to Self-Discovery on the Southern Tier
Join cyclist and author Larry Walsh for a story of triumph overcoming adversity. Larry will share about his 3,120-mile bike ride from California to Florida and his 4,200 mile TransAmerica Bike Race. He will share his story of an improbable journey of self-discovery and resolve. After serving seven years in the Army and working for 28 years in the pharmaceutical industry, Walsh stepped away from corporate life and cycled into the heart of America.

TUESDAY, JULY 12 7:00PM Carnegie Building 451 E Mitchell St

The Library Board
The Library Board is made up of five residents of the City of Petoskey appointed by the Mayor. The Board is responsible for hiring the Director, creating policies and overseeing the budget. Members serve without compensation.

Ann Ingles
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JUNE 21: Early Morning Riser by Katherine Heiny
AUGUST 16: The Kitchen Front by Jennifer Ryan

McLEAN & EAKIN BOOKSELLERS
Summer Big Book Sale

The Friends’ popular Summer Used Book Sale will be back the weekend of Downtown Petoskey’s Sidewalk Sales weekend!

Thousands of titles—adult and children; rare & vintage; history & travel; biography & memoir; science & health; cooking & gardening—will be offered for sale. Prices range from 25¢ to $3. A large $1 area will feature hundreds of hardcover & paperback fiction and non-fiction titles. Everything will be half off on the last day, Saturday, July 30.

Can’t make it to the Sale? You can shop in the Bookstore any time the library is open, new inventory is added every week!

**THURSDAY, JULY 28 & FRIDAY JULY 29**
10:00AM–4:00PM
**SATURDAY, JULY 30**
10:00AM–2:00PM
Library Classroom

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**FRIENDS AT THE CARNEGIE:**

**Tales of Walloon**

The turquoise waters of beautiful Walloon Lake have long attracted resorters from across the Midwest, including many from Petoskey’s best known families. Join lifelong Wallooner Lauren Macintyre and explore the legends and lore of Walloon’s famous families, hotels, and camps. Lauren is a former president of the Walloon Lake Association who writes articles on Walloon history for the Wallooner magazine.

**MONDAY, JUNE 27**
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

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**FRIENDS AT THE CARNEGIE:**

**History of Women’s Clubs**

Little Traverse Historical Society Executive Director Jane Garver will share the history of Women’s Clubs in Petoskey, drawn from notebooks full of actual meeting minutes, scrapbooks, and club momentos. Learn more about the women who established city parks, organized cultural events, and supported foreign orphanages.

**MONDAY, JULY 25**
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

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**FRIENDS AT THE CARNEGIE:**

**Do Good Better**

Drawing on his research of worldwide volunteers, teams, and organizations, Dr. Randy Evans presents fun and effective ways to transform voluntary activities to support both the people served as well as the personal growth of the volunteers themselves—all contained in his new book, *The Voluntary Servant* (available from McLean & Eakin Booksellers). Randy is a year-round resident of Petoskey where he lives with Denise, his wife, and Little Traverse Lizzie, an English Setter.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 22**
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

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**Save the Date**

**A Night at the Library**

**OCTOBER 7, 2022**

Friends, fundraising, food, and fun!

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**THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ARE EXCITED AND BUSY PLANNING A BIG FUNDRAISING EVENT, COMING TO PDL THIS OCTOBER!**

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**Voluntary Servant**

Randy Evans
Summer Reading Kickoff Event

Join PDL to kickoff summer reading and Downtown’s Summer Celebration Weekend! Pick up your summer reading bingo card and hear what we have planned for the summer, play in the drum circle with Lori Fithian and Drummunity, learn about STEM, and get a new complimentary book from the Friends of the Petoskey Library!

A Drummunity circle is a high energy, fun, unique, and interactive program for all ages. Lori Fithian, drum circle facilitator and workshop leader, will bring her collection of hand drums and percussion toys to transform our community into a “drummunity” – a word she invented for the community-building that happens when people come together around a circle of drums. Using hand drums, percussion, and simple drum circle games, Lori creates a positive, non-competitive experience for people of all ages and abilities to share. See you there!

FRIDAY, JUNE 3
6:00PM–8:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

PDL Pop-Up Library

Be on the lookout for PDL this summer around town at one of our pop-up libraries! If you see us, feel free to stop by and chat, hear about library programs and events this summer, get a complimentary book and library swag!

DOWNTOWN PETOSKEY FARMERS MARKET
FRIDAYS • 8:30AM–1:00PM
JULY 8–AUGUST 5
Howard St between Mitchell St and Michigan St

SENIOR HEALTH EXPO
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17
10:00AM–2:00PM
Petoskey High School Gymnasium