Sue Howe was a teacher from Romeo who retired to the Indian River community. Much of her family lives in northern Michigan, so she was pleased with the ability to be closer to them in her retirement. After some years, the time came when caring for a house was too much for Sue, and her kids had begun to worry about her being alone. Sue saw an opportunity to make her life easier and set her children’s minds and hearts at ease with a move to a senior living facility. She and her family decided that moving to an apartment with more support services would be a positive change for Sue’s livelihood.

After hearing about all the services offered at Independence Village, Sue settled on her new home choice and was able to move this past April. One of the selling points to her move was the Book Buddies program, a service of the Petoskey District Library, which she learned about on her tour of the apartment facility. Book Buddies provides bi-monthly visits, bringing books, magazines, and conversation to six different senior living apartments. While Sue has always been a reader, the selection that Petoskey offers, and the ease of borrowing have provided her with a never-ending source of engagement.

Sue would not be able to easily visit the Library since she no longer drives, so Book Buddies is a vital part of her life. She is thrilled that the Library comes to her! She reads more than ever, because “Mary, Petoskey Library Outreach staff, is able to find that perfect read for me, so I always have another book to open.” Sue loves that Mary comes and talks about books, bringing new authors and titles from the Library to share. The companionship that Mary offers is one of the highlights of her day. “I am thrilled to see Mary and talk books,” she exclaimed.

Sue reads more than ever and loves to trade books with other residents as well as help them find their next favorite read. Sue is currently reading _Indians of Hungry Hollow_ by Bill Dunlop, and loves the opportunity to learn more about our local history. The Petoskey District Library adds to the livelihood of the Independence Village residents, especially Sue.

The Book Buddies program, partially funded through a grant from the Emmet County Senior millage, also visits American House, Harbor Village (Crestview), Pineview Cottage, Riverside Terrace, and Villa at the Bay.
FROM THE DIRECTOR

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I am very pleased that we, the Petoskey District Library, were awarded an opportunity to host the Americans and the Holocaust Traveling Exhibition. Fifty library locations across the country have the honor of sharing the vital information presented in the exhibit with their communities. The exhibit is based on new research that was done to show what Americans knew about the Holocaust and how they reacted.

Sharing information about the Holocaust with our community meets several of our Library’s core values, including driving discovery through life-long learning. The community will have the opportunity to spend moments discovering their personal thoughts in response to prompts throughout the exhibit. We are also pleased that ninth and tenth grade classrooms in the Char-EM ISD will be invited to view the exhibition with their teachers and a docent.

This exhibit has personal importance to me as well. I remember my cousin, a Holocaust survivor, always saying “never forget.”

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The current state of the world has made it seem like people have forgotten the stories of communities that are targeted and bullied because of their beliefs, their culture, their background. The exhibit provides space for viewers to think about how we as a country reacted then and how we personally react now to acts of bigotry and hate. It will provide an opportunity for people to reflect and confront hatred for what it is. The hope will be that we will never forget.

Americans and the Holocaust: A Traveling Exhibition for Libraries is made possible by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the American Library Association and will be showcased at the Petoskey District Library from January 5–February 14, 2023.

Pete the Cat Pizza Party
Join us for a pizza party and math fun based on Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party by Kimberly & James Dean.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4
11:00AM

Americans and the Holocaust: The Devil’s Arithmetic
Join us for a book discussion and activity surrounding The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen. The program is for children ages 10+.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6
3:30PM–5:00PM
Lower Level Classroom

Little Waves
The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra Young Children’s Library Series gives children an opportunity to learn, hands-on, about orchestra music and instruments. Ages 4–10.
SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH • 10:30AM
JANUARY 14, FEBRUARY 11 & MARCH 11

Code Club
Does your child love video games? Would you love to have them learn useful skills and exercise their mind? Sign them up for Code Club! Kids love being able to create their own video games and websites, and in the process they will gain useful technology skills! Ages 8–12. Please register.
TUESDAYS • 4:00PM–5:00PM
JANUARY 10–FEBRUARY 28
Lower Level Classroom
NO MEETING JANUARY 31

DIY Succulent Terrariums

First Family Literacy Night of the new school year.
TEEN PROGRAMS

RECURRING PROGRAMS

Teen Advisory Board
The PDL Teen Advisory Board is your opportunity to join with other teens to help plan and create the services, programs, and collections that you want in the Library! Newcomers are always welcome.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
4:00PM
Makerspace & Teen Discord

Anime Club
Calling all tween/teen fans of anime and manga! This club is for fans 7th–12th grade and features activities, snacks, and anime!

EVERY FRIDAY
3:30PM–5:00PM
Lower Level Classroom

Teen Maker Thursday
We meet the third Thursday of the month at 4:00pm in the Makerspace for a fun maker-project! For ages 11–18.

DECEMBER 15: Spa Day
JANUARY 19: Winter Terrariums
FEBRUARY 16: Paint a Tote Bag

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! For ages 11–18.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20:
Snow Volcano
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17:
Growing Crystals
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21:
Homemade Stethoscopes

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

DECEMBER 22, JANUARY 26 & FEBRUARY 23
4:00PM
Teen Area

Brush Calligraphy
Join Nikki as we continue our calligraphy journey! Worksheets and pens will be provided, you are welcome to bring your own brush pens. Registration is required.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25
4:00PM: Uppercase N–Z
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
4:00PM: Words & Connections
Lower Level Classroom

Do You Want to Paint a Snowman?
Let’s have some outdoor fun! We will use spray bottles filled with colored water to “paint” in the snow. If there is enough snow, we will paint snowpeople! For ages 11–18 and their families.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29
3:00PM
Outdoor Labyrinth

PDL Winter 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 winter’s book bundle is The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen and is part of the Americans and the Holocaust Exhibit programming.

Register between December 14–January 4, pick up the bundles on Thursday, January 12 at the Teen Desk.

JANUARY

The Greatest Showman Film
Join us for an interactive movie experience! Scripts and prop bags will be provided. For ages 11–18.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31
4:00PM
Classroom

Midterm Study Labs
Midterms are here and PDL has everything you need to prepare! We have space for both individuals and groups to study, plus snacks and fun activities when you need a quick break.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17
3:00PM–CLOSE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 & THURSDAY, JANUARY 19
12:00PM–CLOSE
Makerspace & Teen Area

FEBRUARY

Americans and the Holocaust: The Devil’s Arithmetic
Join us for a book discussion and activity surrounding The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen. The program is for children ages 10+.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6
3:30PM–5:00PM
Lower Level Classroom

Hey Petoskey High School Students!
Did you know that you can sign up for a Petoskey Library card at your school? And better yet, that we will deliver books and audiobooks you’re interested in right to the PHS Media Center once a week? It’s true! Stop in to see Ms. Belski to get signed up.
Apple User’s Group

If you use Apple technology products or have an interest, 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 to answer questions.

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH • 5:00PM
NO DECEMBER MEETING
JANUARY 18 & FEBRUARY 15
Lower Level Classroom
AARP Driver Safety Class
Learn the current rules of the road, defensive driving techniques, and how to operate your vehicle more safely in today’s increasing challenging driving environment. This course is designed for drivers 50 years of age and older and you may be eligible to receive an insurance discount upon completing. Registration is required.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12
10:30AM–5:00PM
Lower Level Classroom

Walk & Write: A Winter Forest Experience
Join Good Hart Artist in Residence Christina Clancy, Little Traverse Conservancy, and PDL for a unique winter afternoon of forest bathing and writing. We will begin with a one hour winter walk at the Offield Family Viewlands and meet after at the Library to write, discuss, and share our experiences. Registration is required. You may attend one or both parts of this workshop.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19
2:00PM: WALK
Offield Family Viewlands
1055 Hideaway Valley Dr
Harbor Springs

3:30PM: WORKSHOP
Lower Level Classroom

Brush Calligraphy
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25
4:00PM: Uppercase N-Z
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
4:00PM: Words & Connections
Lower Level Classroom

The Stone Circle with Terry Wooten
Come and add your spark to the fire! Join poet Terry Wooten for a screening of the award-winning film, documenting the magic of the legendary Stone Circle. For three decades, Terry has safeguarded this national treasure along with a dedicated group of poets and musicians, who perform by a blazing campfire to a background chorus of croaking frogs and howling coyotes. Stay after the film for Q&A with Terry!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8
6:00PM
Crooked Tree Arts Center
Ross Stoakes Theater
461 E Mitchell St

Opening Reception
Join us to celebrate the opening of our Americans and the Holocaust Exhibit!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5
5:30PM–7:00PM

Film Screenings
The Great Dictator
1940, Rated G, 2hr 5min

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11
7:00PM
Lyric Theater
275 E Main St
Harbor Springs

JoJo Rabbit
2019, Rated PG-13, 1hr 48min

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12
7:00PM
Crooked Tree Arts Center
Ross Stoakes Theater
461 E Mitchell St

Casablanca
1942, Rated PG, 1hr 42min

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

How Did American Women Act?

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

The Devil’s Arithmetic Book Discussion
School age children and teens, join us for a book discussion and activity surrounding The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6
3:30PM
Lower Level Classroom

Henry Morgenthau: The Treasury Secretary Who Forced Americans to Aid the Jews of Europe
North Central Michigan College English and History professor Charlie McCaffrey.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

All the Frequent Troubles of Our Days Book Discussion with Author Rebecca Donner
Join us for a virtual book discussion with the author! Registration is required for Zoom access.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7
7:00PM
Virtual on Zoom
FRIENDS AT THE CARNEGIE: Smiths on Safari

Join Dibby and Scott Smith as they share the story of their amazing family safari in Botswana and Zimbabwe, complete with open safari vehicles, elephants, three luxurious bush camps, beautiful sunsets, helicopter and boat rides, “the smoke that thunders”, baby animals and lots of other wildlife.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23
7:00PM
Carnegie Building
451 E Mitchell St

FRIENDS AT THE CARNEGIE: Bath School Tragedy

On May 18, 1927 in Bath, Michigan, a mass murder occurred at the new Bath consolidated school. An explosion on the last day of the school year by a deranged former school member resulted in the deaths of 44 students and adults.

George Robson’s parents were both in the school at the time and he will present a photographic remembrance of this horrific tragedy.

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

A Night at the Library

This past October, the Friends of the Petoskey Library hosted a new and imaginative fundraiser, A Night at the Library. It was an evening filled with food, wine, short performed vignettes throughout the Library, a silent auction, and plenty of socialization and fun! We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone that contributed to the success of the night, including the guests, silent auction donors, local sponsors, volunteers, and Little Traverse Civic Theater actors and wardrobe.

The evening was quite a success. With the proceeds from the fundraiser, plus a grant from the Library of Michigan, the Growing Readers Together tutoring program is fully funded for this year. Thank you!

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A Night at the Library

Silent auction winner!

Enjoying a glass of wine

Girl with a Pearl Earring

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

The Great Gatsby

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

Petoskey Farms Winery & Chandler’s Restaurant won the vote for Best in Wine and Best in Culinary.
**LIBRARY HOURS**
Monday–Friday
10am–6pm
Saturday
10am–5pm
Sunday
12pm–5pm

Starting January 2, PDL will extend its hours
Monday–Thursday
10am–7pm

**LIBRARY CLOSED**
Christmas
December 24 & 25
New Year’s Day
January 1
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February 3

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Registration for programs can be done by calling the Library or visiting the events calendar at petoskeylibrary.evanced.info/signup/calendar

**Manna Food Drive**
Help feed our community! Food banks across the nation are facing 40% decrease in USDA food donations. We have partnered with Manna Food Project to host a food drive and collect donations that will help people in need. Please consider donating canned goods at the Library. Visit our website for a list of needed items.

**NOVEMBER 14–DECEMBER 23**
Please drop off items in the main lobby

**New Years Eve Celebration**
Celebrate the new year with Crooked Tree Arts Center and Petoskey District Library with a festive lineup of entertainment, refreshments, and creative activities! Enjoy musical performances, arts and crafts, roasting your own marshmallow for s’mores, and watching the ball drop outside at 9:00pm.

Admission buttons for Crooked Tree Arts Center are $10 for adults, $5 for students, and children under 2 are free. Tickets include all food and refreshments, provided at no additional cost, and can be purchased at Crooked Tree Arts Center or their website.

Admission to the Library’s events that night are open to the public at no charge.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31**
6:00PM–9:00PM