

Pentwater Township Library

July/August 2017



LIBRARY REOPENS, PATRONS DELIGHTED WITH THEIR NEW LIBRARY



Ribbon Cutting—June 20, 2017 Valerie Church-McHugh, Kendra Flynn, Mary Barker, Joan LundBorg, Nancy Peterson, Elaine LeTarte, Cynthia Maguire

On June 19, the Pentwater Township Library reopened its doors to a lot of “Wows.” That was the reaction of many people upon seeing the completely revamped library that was entirely gutted, reconfigured, with a more open and modern library taking the place of the 20-year-old facility they remembered from earlier this year.

More than 1,900 library patrons came to see the change in the first weeks we were open. “We know Pentwater loves its library and now there are more reasons to love it,” said Library Director Mary Barker. “I’ve also had a dozen requests for the paint colors of the new library,” said Barker. Patrons were also impressed with the new carpeting with its dune grass motif.

“The new library is unique because Pentwater is unique. The color of the furnishings and the interior walls were selected to reflect the feeling of being at the beach. Rather than a cluttered feeling, the new library also has a brighter more open feel to it,” the library director added.

The new much larger meeting multi-purpose room and the new tutor room have also drawn many positive comments. New chairs and tables, new shelving, a new children’s area, more comfortable seating and a completely redone bathroom with a changing table were also part of the Library Refresh Project.



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The new circulation desk built in Shelby, Michigan also is impressive and one of the first major changes patrons notice as they enter the library. It's wonderful that we have businesses like this in Oceana County. If you haven't yet stopped into the new library, it is worth a trip over to Park and Rush Streets.

LANDSCAPE PROJECT

Now that the library looks wonderful on the inside we are accepting donations to tackle the updating of the outside. We are still in the earliest stages of planning the landscaping and considering ideas. Some projects mentioned include reconfiguring parking, sidewalk problem areas, gardens and shrubs. Other ideas include outdoor seating areas and outdoor signage.

Donations can be made to the Pentwater Township Library at P.O. Box 946, Pentwater, MI 49449. Please add *Landscape* in the note area of checks.

LIBRARY HOURS

The Library has made a few changes to its hours to better serve our patrons.

Monday 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



BEACH BUGGY LIBRARY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

If you haven't seen the Beach Buggy Library at the beach yet, take notice. We still need a few more people to help us at the beach. If you don't mind spending a few hours from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the beach with a buddy this summer to help distribute books and magazines to visitors at our beautiful state park beach on Friday or Saturday please call or stop in and let us know you are interested.

Thus far our present volunteers love what they are doing, but can't do it all the time, even though they wish they could. A colorful umbrella and two beach chairs come with the Beach Buggy Library. This just might be the best volunteer job you will ever have!

SO MANY PEOPLE TO THANK

The Library Refresh Project would not have been possible without the help of a lot of people and organizations. Some went out of their way to help us during the transition from the old to the new.

Shelby State Bank loaned us their second-floor conference room so our staff could continue the routine work of the library including planning and lining up speakers and activities for the summer, ordering and processing incoming library materials, overseeing the demolition and construction, working closely with suppliers and contractors, and getting ready to reopen our doors.

Special thanks must go to Monroe Rd Storage for giving us a place to store supplies and materials while the library was closed. We also had volunteers assist us with moving in and out from the library to the storage and back again. Thank You! to all who helped us in many ways both financially and as volunteers. You helped make the changes possible.

STILL MORE PEOPLE TO THANK....

Karen St. Denis, Susan Ginocchio, Deb Palmer, Linda Trierweiler, and Robert Jeffries for donating and preparing all the goodies for our Open House.

All the organizations who donated for our Teen Read Summer Program. Cosmic Candy for giving us gummi worms and popcorn and Ludington Dairy Queen for dilly bars for the children and teens attending our summer programs.

Kendall Mead, a teenage special guest speaker for the children as part of the summer reading program.

Delores Simpson for helping with the quilt-making of lap quilts that the children helped create for the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital as part of their theme for this summer: *Build a Better World!*

Ellen Lightle, Eva Moser, and Judith DeRycke for volunteering their time for the Beach Buggy Library.



The Art of Antiques

Dan & Lin Hoekstra
 Silver Hills Antiques at Gustafson's
 Monday, September 11—7:00 P.M.



Learn about the antique industry and how the value of items is estimated. You're welcome to bring an item that you wish to have appraised. Dan and Lin will also share about the Silver Hills business located in downtown Pentwater.

Introduction to Zentangle®

Saturday, September 16 - 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon
 Amy W.M. Kam, CZT



Described as a form of artistic meditation, the Zentangle Method allows you to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns and learning techniques and basic steps for creating an original tile. No experience needed.

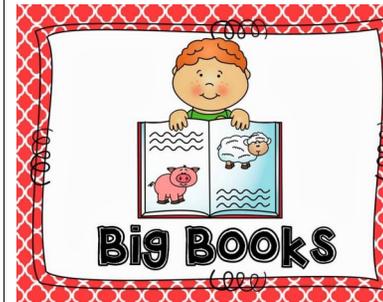
Beginners welcome. This class is free, supply kit included. Please register by September 14. Call Pentwater Library at 231-869-8581.



Story Hour will be taking a break from August 25 through September 15. It will resume on Friday, September 22 at 10:30 AM.

Book Discussion Group meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00 PM. Upcoming dates: August 14 and September 11. The September gathering will select titles for the coming year.

iPad Lovers meets the last Wednesday of the month from 1-2 PM. Upcoming dates: July 26, August 30, and September 27.



IT'S BIG BOOK
 STORY TIME WITH
 LENE E ANDERSON

Friday @ 10:30 A.M.
 June 23—August 18



TEEN DANCE
 at the
 FRIENDSHIP CENTER
 GAZEBO

Friday, July 21
 7:00—10:00 PM

Dave Walley—DJ

MADE IN MICHIGAN

LIVE ANIMALS

FRIDAY, JULY 28

2:30 PM



A unique program featuring live goats, chickens, doves, geese and more. At the Friendship Center Gazebo. Presented by Dynamic West School Assemblies.

Author Visit



GT Long
Another Sunday in Horton Bay

Monday, July 31—7:00 P.M.

What would it be like if Jesus visited you periodically, and you chatted for a while? G.T. Long imagined just that and wrote about his interactions with Jesus his book called *Another Sunday in Horton Bay*.

Guest Storytellers—Tuesday 10:30 AM

- August 1 The Book Fairies—Valerie McHugh & Ellen Lightle
- August 8 Betty Pleva
- August 15 Linda Stone



ROCK CLIMBING WALL
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10
10 AM—2 PM

Author Visit

Jack Arbor
Thriller Writer:
Author of the Max Austin Assassin Series
Wednesday, August 9—7:00 P.M.



Jack Arbor will discuss how he got his start in fiction, his thoughts on the independent publishing movement, and his writing /editing process. He will also read from his soon-to-be published thriller *The Attack*, starring his stoic hero, the ex-KGB assassin Max Austin.

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Look for us in the Homecoming Parade
Saturday, August 12—4:00 PM

Total Eclipse of the Sun – Monday, August 21

Across the United States, people will see the sun disappear behind the moon, turning daylight into twilight, causing the temperature to drop rapidly and revealing massive streamers of light streaking through the sky around the silhouette of the moon. Here in Michigan we will see about 85-90% eclipse.



Pentwater Library has special glasses to view the eclipse.

Beginning August 14 we will give them out while supplies last.