
ISHPEMING CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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Who's who at the library?

Library Staff

Jessica Shirtz, Library Director

Kelsey Boldt, Librarian

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Children's Librarian

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Heidi Silverstone, Library Clerk

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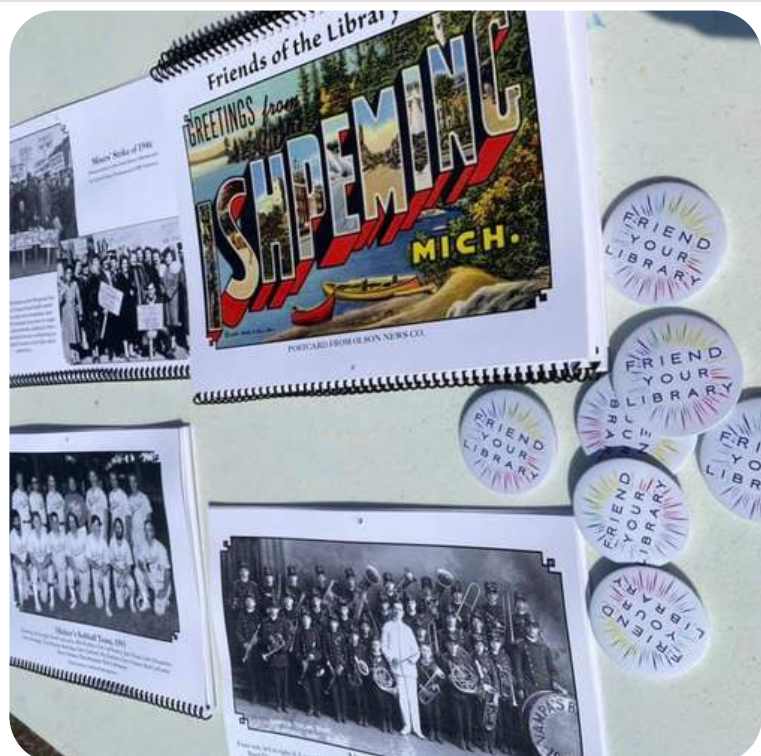
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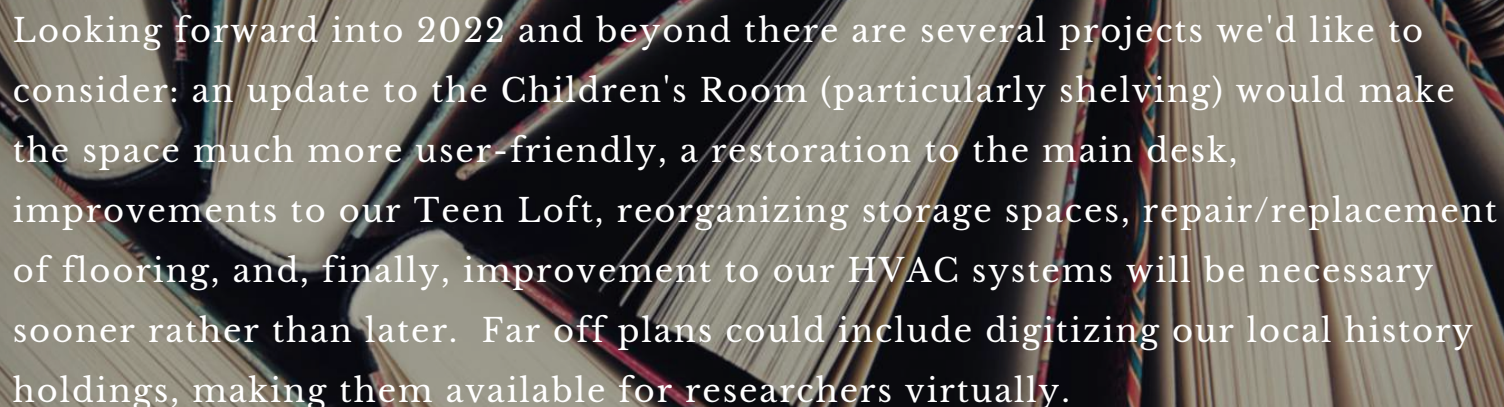
A NEW NORMAL

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Shirtz, Library Director

2021 was filled with highs and lows, as is any year. We began March with a surprise opening after being closed for nearly an entire year. It was wonderful re-opening our doors to our community and being able to interact directly once again. We recreated our Summer Reading Program to take place entirely outside and have embraced the concept of Take & Makes, which have been extraordinarily well received. We've slowly reintroduced in-person programs for adults, and look forward to doing so for youth programs in the near future.

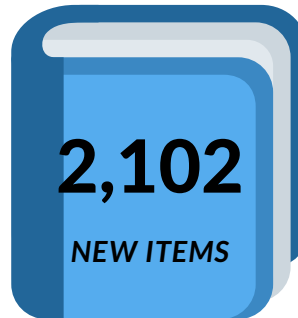
We ended the year with the losses of Linda Peterson, former Library Director of 26 years, and Ray Leverton, who single-handedly raised over half of a million dollars for renovations at the library to ensure handicap accessibility and energy efficient updates. They will both be missed, though their legacies continue at the library.

An exciting end of the year introduction was Beanstack, an app featuring reading challenges for all ages. We can't wait to see its use grow!



Looking forward into 2022 and beyond there are several projects we'd like to consider: an update to the Children's Room (particularly shelving) would make the space much more user-friendly, a restoration to the main desk, improvements to our Teen Loft, reorganizing storage spaces, repair/replacement of flooring, and, finally, improvement to our HVAC systems will be necessary sooner rather than later. Far off plans could include digitizing our local history holdings, making them available for researchers virtually.

BY THE NUMBERS



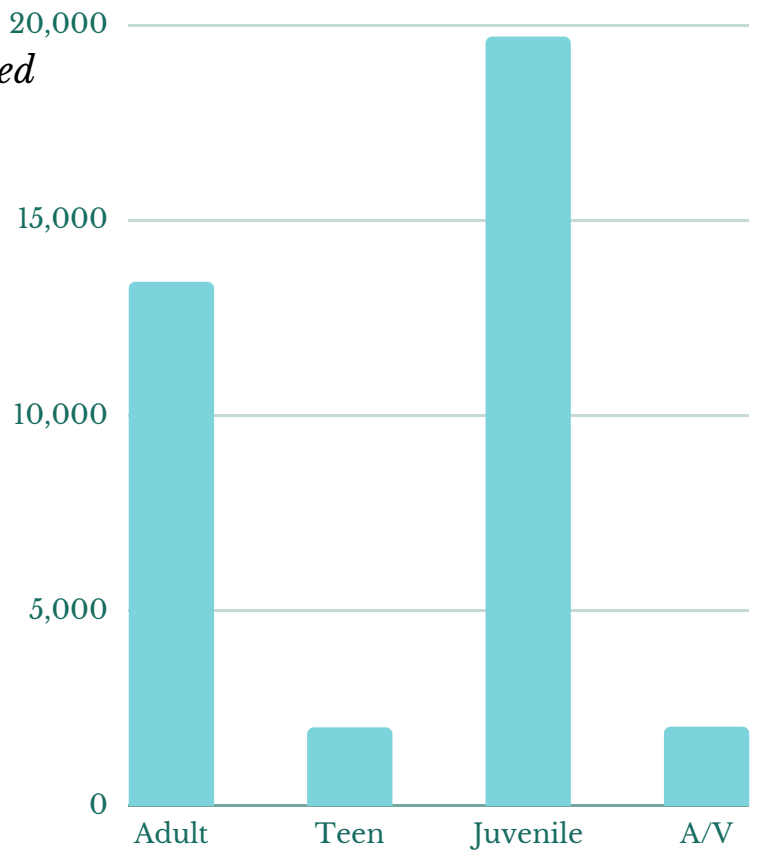
CIRCULATION

The number and character of items checked out during this year.

52%

OF ITEMS CIRC'D ARE FOR KIDS

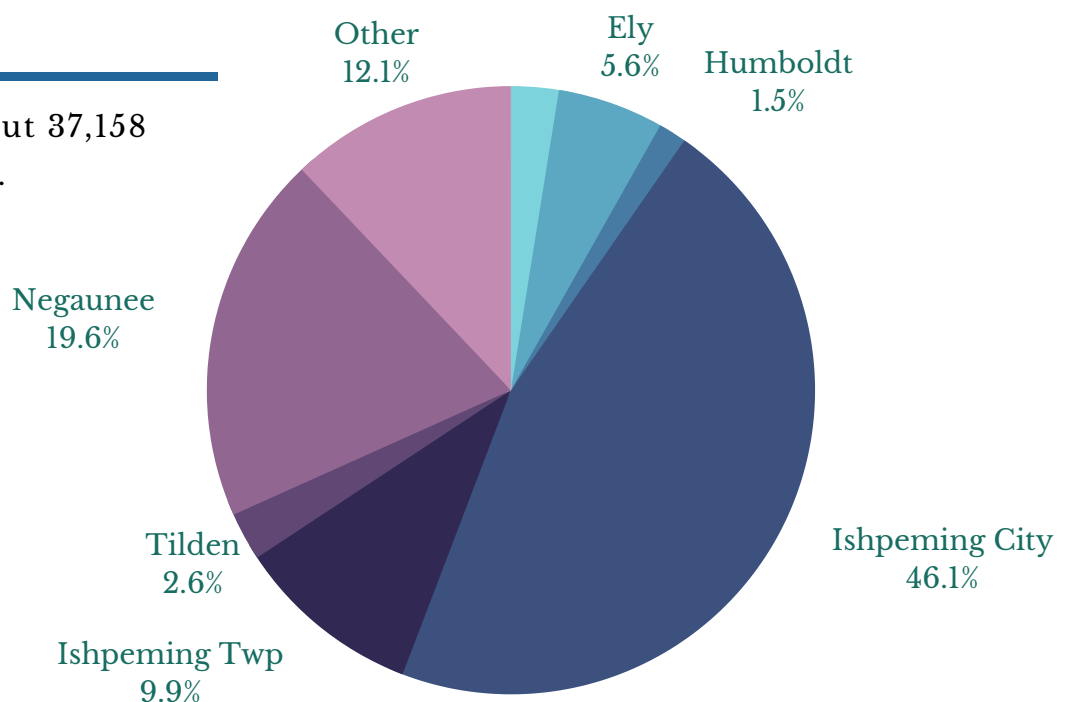
Juvenile items continue to be the most checked out at the library.



37K

TOTAL CHECKOUTS

Library users checked out 37,158 physical items this year.



**Assets
Recovered
\$3,984.67**



REGULAR PROGRAMS

In-person programming took place in the summer and fall. Passive, non-virtual programs, are included here. These totals do not include Summer Reading programs.

24

Adult Programs

147 attended our programs for adults, including ICPL Book Club, a Wreath Making Workshop, and two programs with Velodrome Coffee.

Teen Programs

371 participated in our programs for teens, including Take & Makes, Art Cart Crafts, and the Titles & Treats program.

12

35

Children's Programs

1,336 took part in our programs for kids, including outdoor storytimes, drop-in crafts, and Take & Makes.



The library began offering Beanstack reading challenges in October 2021.

**New Accounts 2021: 56**

October: 47

November: 2

December: 7

**Logged Books 2021: 3,243**

October: 1,030

November: 1,176

December: 1,037

**Logged Minutes 2021: 77,072**

October: 25,002

November: 34,164

December: 17,906

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VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

The Library offered virtual programs throughout the year. These totals do not include Summer Reading programs.

58

Total Virtual Programs

Virtual programs are likely here to stay. We continue to amend our approach, moving away from recorded content and towards Zoom activities.

Live Programs

39

There were 287 participants in Facebook Live programs, such as Tot Tuesday, Flannel Friday, Saturday Book Breaks, and two Bigfoot poetry performances with Marty Achatz!

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Zoom Programs

We had 152 attendees at Zoom programs such as Tween and Teen Book Clubs, and storytimes once we switched from Facebook Live in the Fall.

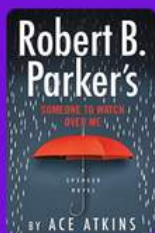
TOP 5 ADULT BOOKS 2021



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COPPER COUNTRY



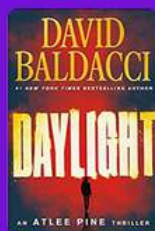
A TIME FOR MERCY



ROBERT B. PARKER'S
SOMEONE TO WATCH
OVER ME

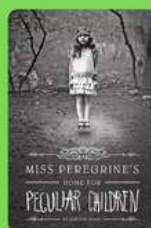


THE LOST BOYS



DAYLIGHT

TOP 5 TEEN BOOKS 2021



MISS PEREGRINE'S
HOME FOR PECULIAR
CHILDREN



ALLEGIAN'T



MY HERO ACADEMIA 3:
ALL NIGHT



HEARTSTOPPER



TOKYO GHOUL 1

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TOP 5 KIDS BOOKS 2021



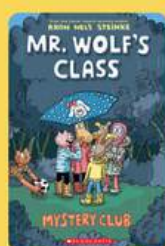
GUTS



ALLERGIC



TWINS



MR. WOLF'S CLASS:
MYSTERY CLUB



DOG MAN: FOR WHOM
THE BALL ROLLS

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

Downloadable ebooks and eaudiobooks continue to be popular even after re-opening our doors. Magazines became available for checkout in February 2021..

3975 eBooks

3,975 eBooks were circulated across four shared collections accessible through the Great Lakes Digital Library site or the Libby app. 798 magazines circ'd.



eAudiobooks

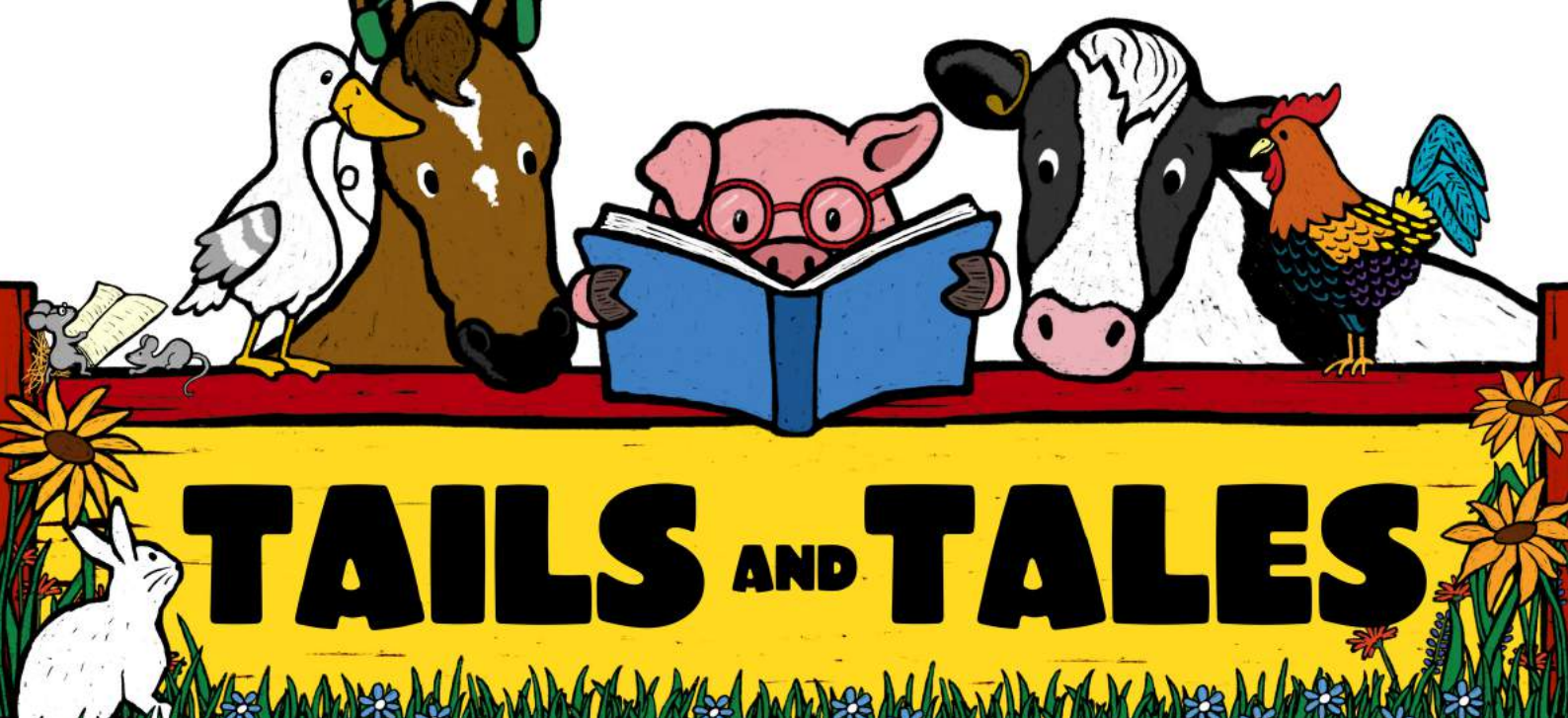
eAudiobooks continue to be popular checkouts; some months overtaking eBook circulation.

3535

139

Average Monthly Unique Patrons

The number of Libby users each month varied from 126 to 150. There were also 74 patrons who began using Libby or the GLDL last year!



TAILS AND TALES

Summer Reading

Summer Reading was held outside for the most part, including storytimes in townships who contract for library services!

A StoryWalk and WanderWalk were installed in Al Quaal.

Kids

350 registered to participate

81 reading log completions, 34 scavenger hunt completions, 15 art & writing challenge completions

902 participated in 21 programs.

Teens

414 participated in 13 programs (from total in Kids section)

Take & Makes are popular with this crowd!

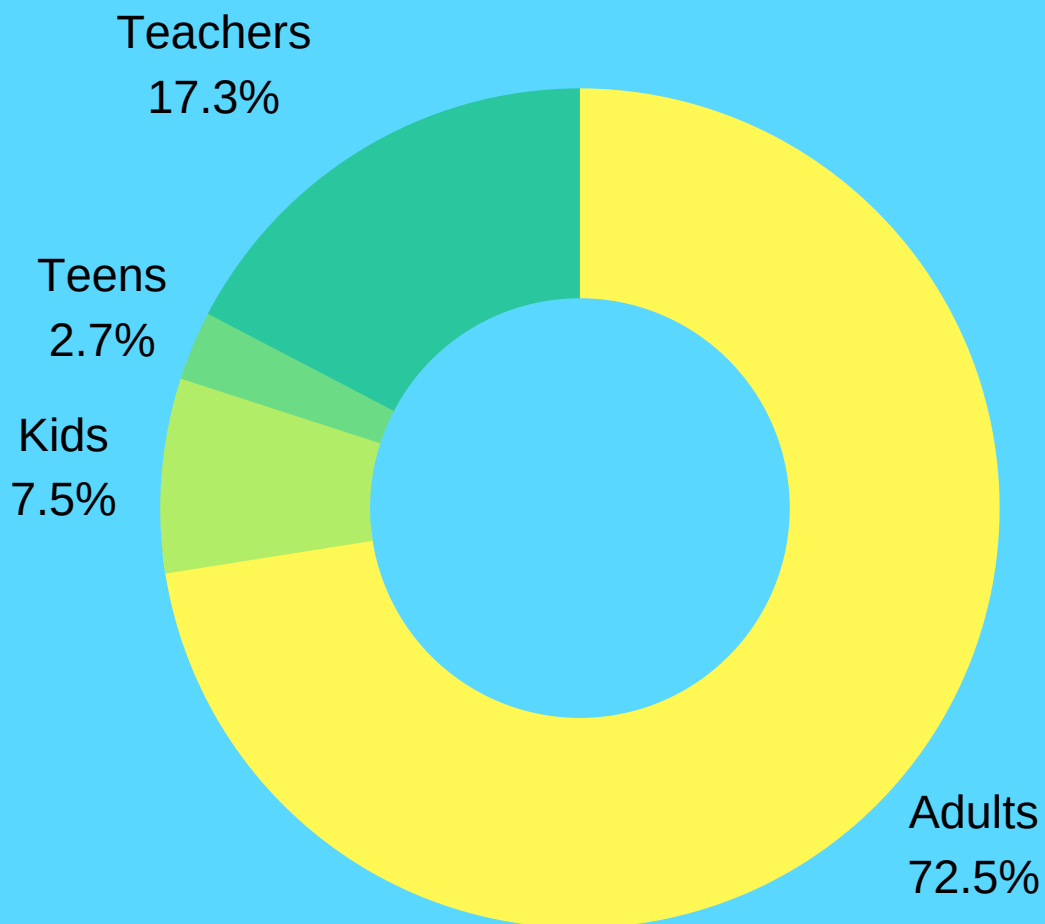
Adults

37 participated in 4 in-person programs, including book clubs, UP in the UP with Bill Jamerson, and Flower Arranging with Shailah's Flower Garden.

82 book reviews were submitted!



Who uses the library?



*Percentage of items checked out on cards belonging to the listed demographics.

2021

Checkouts	17,144
Cardholders	3,634
State Aid	\$5,611
Penal Fines	\$11,534

59%

of Ishpeming City residents
have an active library card.

Ishpeming
City



2021

Checkouts	939
Cardholders	181
Contract Fee	\$328
State Aid	\$257
Penal Fines	\$529

72%

of Champion Township
residents have an active
library card.

Champion
Township



2021

Checkouts	2,098
Cardholders	293
Contract Fee	\$2,204
State Aid	\$1,692
Penal Fines	\$3,479

15%

of Ely Township residents
have an active library card.

Ely
Township



2021

Checkouts	553
Cardholders	53
Contract Fee	\$390
State Aid	\$402
Penal Fines	\$827

16%

of Humboldt Township
residents have an active
library card.

Humboldt
Township



2021

Checkouts	3,686
Cardholders	542
Contract Fee	\$3,862
State Aid	\$3,046
Penal Fines	\$6,262

15%

of Ishpeming Township
residents have an active
library card.

Ishpeming
Township



2021

Checkouts	954
Cardholders	161
Contract Fee	\$1,100
State Aid	\$878
Penal Fines	\$1,805

15%

of Tilden Township residents
have an active library card.

Tilden
Township



2021 BUDGET

Highlighted Line Items	Budgeted Amount
Salaries	\$128,500
Part-Time Salaries	\$21,000
Office Supplies	\$3,015
Office Supplies - Special Programs	\$1,670
Operating Supplies	\$1,100
Repair/Maintenance Supplies	\$520
Professional Services	\$3,950
Communications	\$1,355
Utilities - Electricity	\$5,600
Utilities - Water/Sewer	\$900
Utilities - Natural Gas	\$4,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,650
Vehicle Rentals	\$800
Books	\$17,600
Periodicals	\$2,440
DVDs	\$2,930
Audiobooks	\$3,420
Special Funds	\$0
State Aid - Library System	\$17,100