

## **Summer Reading 2020 Was a Big Hit!**

Congratulations to the following top readers during our 2020 Summer Reading Program. Over 100,000 minutes were read! A special THANK YOU goes to the FREE MASON'S LODGE #68 BUCHANAN who provided bicycles, 3 wheelers, tricycles, and scooters for our top prizes for the Youth Summer Reading winners.

### YOUTH SUMMER READING WINNERS

	Age 0-4	
1st Place:	Harper Klee	Read 3,360 min
2nd Place:	Annalise Sprague	Read 3,120 min
3rd Place:	Willow Lingle	Read 1,768 min
	Age 5–8	
1st Place:	Riley Klee	Read 7,550 min
2nd Place:	Axel Tharnish	Read 4,680 min
3rd Place:	Harrison Avadarian	Read 3,560 min
	Age 9–12	
1st Place:	Chloe Lingle	Read 14,511 min
2nd Place:	Isabella Lingle	Read 12,202 min
3rd Place:	Aleah Avadarian	Read 10,202 min
	Age 9–12	
1st Place:	Jackson Tharnish	Read 6,780 min

### **ADULT SUMMER READING WINNERS**

Ashley won 1st place with 64 books read, Katey won 2nd place with 43 books read, and Missy won the random prize drawing! Together, all of our adult participants read 325 books—25 more than our community goal.

Jordan Layne

Rylee Keefe



2nd Place:

3rd Place:





Read 6,720 min

Read 3,540 min



### **Location & Hours**

Sunday: Closed Monday: 9–6 Tuesday: 9–6 Wednesday: 9–6 Thursday: 9–6 Friday: 9–6 Saturday: 9–2

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### **BUCHANAN DISTRICT LIBRARY NOW OFFERS A LIBRARY OF THINGS!**

Books, audiobooks, games, and movies are being joined by a wide variety of nontraditional library items for patrons to check out at the Buchanan District Library.

"This is a natural extension of what libraries already do, and will allow us to better meet the needs of our patrons," said Meg Paulette, library director. "A Library of Things is a way for our community to share resources and expand the boundaries of what a library usually offers."

The Library of Things will offer items such as tools, musical instruments, framed art, outdoor equipment, and more. Items are being added to the collection every week! Visit our website to suggest items for the LoT and to learn more about becoming an LoT patron.

The Library of Things is made possible in part by grant funds from the Michigan Gateway Community Foundation. The library actually received the first items for the Library of Things in March of 2020, right before the COVID-19 shutdown. Six ukuleles were donated to the library from Ohana Music in Long Beach, California.

"It was very exciting to get the ukuleles in the mail, and very hard to wait so long to make them available for checkout!" said Paulette. "Obviously the last few months changed many of our plans, but we're happy to be moving forward again."

# **GABRIELLE ROBINSON**

Thursday, September 24, at 7:00pm

AUTHOR OF
API'S BERLIN DIARIES: MY QUEST TO
UNDERSTAND MY GRANDFATHER'S NAZI PAST



Join the Buchanan District Library for a special program with South Bend-based author, Gabrielle Robinson. She will discuss her latest book, Api's Berlin Diaries: My Quest to Understand my Grandfather's Nazi Past, and talk about how you can capture your own family history through writing.

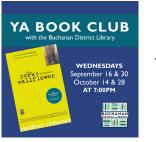
Gabrielle tells stories about people that reveal their personal situation within its historical context. One reason for her fascination with the intersection of the personal and historical stems from her own experience. Born in Berlin in 1942, her father's fighter plane was shot down in 1943. After her family was bombed out twice, they fled Berlin in 1945.

After her mother's death, Gabrielle Robinson found diaries her grandfather had kept while serving as a doctor in Berlin in 1945—only to discover that her beloved Api had been a Nazi. Moving and provocative, Api's Berlin Diaries offers a first hand and personal perspective on the far reaching aftershocks of the Third Reich and the author's own inconvenient past.

You can learn more about Gabrielle and her writing by visiting her website, **www.gabriellerobinson.com**. This event will be held on Google Meet and will allow participants to interact and ask questions. Please visit our website or email m.paulette@buchananlibrary.com to register.

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

Learn more at www.buchananlibrary.com



### YA BOOK CLUB | WEDNESDAYS, SEPT. 16 & 30, OCT. 14 & 28

Join the YA Book Club to read and discuss *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky. The club will meet for 4 dates in September and October on Google Meet and outside the library (weather permitting). Megan Goodrich, founder of One Month at a Time, will lead the discussion.



### **UKULELE CLUB | SATURDAYS, OCT. 3-NOV. 21**

The library is excited to announce our NEW Ukulele Club! The fall 2020 session will meet online, Saturdays at I Iam, October 3 through November 21. The library will provide a ukulele for each participant to use during the session. A qualified ukulele teacher will teach the course through Lessonface. SPACE IS LIMITED! Sign up today on our website.



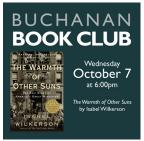
# STORYTIME | WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM, SEPT. 23-OCT. 28

Join us for Storytime at the Common and on Facebook Live. Each week we'll have stories and songs for preschool children with Miss Sarah and other special guests.



### BLOOD DRIVE THURSDAY, OCT. 15 1:00PM-6:00PM

Help our community by donating blood during this important time—stay tuned for more information!



### **BUCHANAN BOOK CLUB | WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7, AT 6:00PM**

The Buchanan Book Club will meet online via Google Meet on Wednesday, October 7, at 6pm, to discuss *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson. If you would like to join, please email m.paulette@buchananlibrary.com.

### **NEW!** REMEMBERING BUCHANAN 2021 CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

The Buchanan District Library is excited to announce a new fundraiser for the library that gives you the opportunity to enjoy amazing photos from the Local History collection all year long! Our *Remembering Buchanan* 2021 Calendar will be available for pre-order starting in September, and to purchase at the Library during the holiday season. These calendars will make great gifts! Stay tuned for more information about pre-ordering and sneak peaks of the images in the calendar.

We are also seeking sponsorships from local businesses. Each month will have one sponsor, which means that your business name will be displayed for an entire month! Contact Community Outreach Coordinator, Sarah Gault, at 269-695-3681 or s.gault@buchananlibrary.com for more information. Sponsorship opportunities are limited—don't miss the chance to be a part of this celebration of Buchanan history!

