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

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<td>0–4</td>
<td>Harper Klee</td>
<td>AnnaLise Sprague</td>
<td>Willow Lingle</td>
<td>Read 3,360 min</td>
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<td>5–8</td>
<td>Riley Klee</td>
<td>Axel Tharnish</td>
<td>Harrison Avadarian</td>
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<td>9–12</td>
<td>Chloe Lingle</td>
<td>Isabella Lingle</td>
<td>Aleah Avadarian</td>
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### 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.

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<td>Jordan Layne</td>
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“Obviously the last few months changed many of our plans, but we’re happy to be moving forward again.”

“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.

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.

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

**GABRIELLE ROBINSON**

**Thursday, September 24, at 7:00pm**

**AUTHOR OF API’S BERLIN DIARIES:M Y 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 inconveni- ent 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.

**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 sgault@buchananlibrary.com for more information. Sponsorship opportunities are limited—don’t miss the chance to be a part of this celebration of Buchanan history!