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Map Info

Author John Farmer; Engravers: V. Balch and S. Stiles

Title Improved Map of the Surveyed Part of the Territory of Michigan

Date 1831

Call Number A3 1831

Size 19 3/4 in x 30.5 in

Description Color. Shows counties and roads of the southern part of the Lower Peninsula. Includes insets: "Map of the Straits of Michilimackinac," "Map of the Saginaw," "Map of the Lead Mine District near the Mississippi River," "Map of the Private Game of Green Bay," and "Map of Michilimackinac Isle." Bound by 41°-44' N, 82°-87° W.

Bibliography Streeter 757

Preview

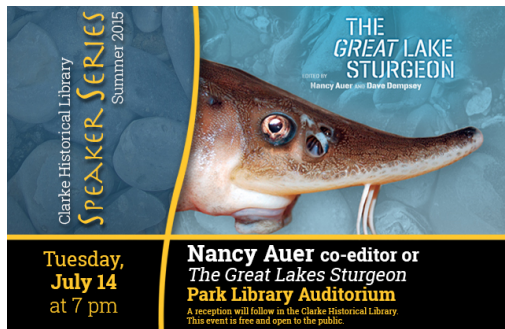
We are excited to announce our new online map database that is now available to the public. With this database, you will be able to view historical maps found at the Clarke Historical Library with the click of your mouse. We hope this new tool will vastly improve your research experience.

[Click here](#) to explore the new database.

More information about the project can be found on [this blog post](#).

Summer Speakers

So far this summer, we have enjoyed two wonderful speakers. A.J. Baime, *New York Times* best-selling author of *The Arsenal of Democracy: FDR, Detroit, and an Epic Quest to Arm America at War*, as well as Al Declerq, who was here in June to talk about his new book, *Bernida: A Michigan Sailing Legend*.



Coming up on **Tuesday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m.**, Nancy Auer will discuss *The Great Lake Sturgeon*, which captures many of the aspects of the remarkable Great Lakes sturgeon, from the mythical to the critically real. A professor at Michigan Technological University with a doctorate in biological sciences, Auer has dedicated much of her career to the study and restoration of the lake sturgeon. She is one of the region's leading experts on the fish.

Auer's presentation will be held in the Park Library Auditorium. It is free and open to the public. An author's reception, held in the Clarke Historical Library, will follow the presentation.

Highlight from the Exhibit

The current exhibit *International Children's Literature* will run through August. If you have yet to view the exhibit, make sure to stop by soon. Here is a highlight of one of the many great items found in the exhibit.

The Francis and Mary Lois Molson Collection of Art

A collection of over seventy pieces of original art created for children's books, the Francis and Mary Lois Molson Collection was the gift of a now retired CMU faculty member and his spouse, who for many years taught elementary school in Mt. Pleasant. Being able to see these original paintings by various prominent illustrators in conjunction with the books in which they are featured serves to remind us of the importance of the artists' contributions to the understanding of children's stories as well as documenting the process through which art becomes a printed image.

On display in our current exhibit are four pieces from the Molson Collection:



- --Gennadii Spirin's work, which is featured on the cover of *The Frog Princess: A Russian Folktale*, by J. Patrick Lewis, 1994.
- --"That night she awoke to a terrible roar" by Leo and Diane Dillon, published in Nancy Willard's *Pish, Posh, said Hieronymus Bosh*, 1991.
- --Kris Waldherr's work featured as the title page of *Rapunzel* as retold by Amy Ehrlich, 1989.
- --Neil Waldman's watercolor, featured as the cover art for Gary Paulsen's *The Voyage of the Frog*, 1989.

New on the Blog

June was a busy month for our blog! We featured several posts that highlighted

events such as [Al Declerq's presentation](#) as well as the upcoming [Michigan Railroad History Conference](#), which we thought some researchers might be interested in.

In addition to these, we featured several other posts:

- The "[Best Use of Newspaper](#)" award given to several students across Michigan that was sponsored by the Clarke
- [A Grant](#) awarded to the Clarke by the Michigan Humanities Council
- [President Ross's](#) academic journey
- [Cookbooks](#) to go with the Fourth of July holiday weekend

Clarke Summer Hours

The Clarke Historical Library will be open during the summer Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday hours will resume in the Fall semester.

Contact us via phone ([989-774-3352](tel:989-774-3352)), e-mail (clarke@cmich.edu), or stop by to view our exhibit or conduct research.

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