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October 14th, Thursday, 5—7 pm, AUTHOR SIGNING by

Jan Brett Popular children's author, and Horizon Books

favorite, Jan Brett will be here for a special
afternoon. Come have her sign your favorite book,
or even her newest addition. Meet her friend

"Hedgie the Hedgehog." She will also give a 20
minute presentation at this ticketed event. Tickets

are FREE, ONE PER FAMILY, but you MUST have them to get in to
the event. See a customer service representative at the main
desk of Horizon Books for details. — *Putnum, \$17.99, hardcover*



October 20th, Wednesday, 6 pm, AUTHOR SIGNING by

Mary Doria Russell of the TC Reads book Dreamers of the

Day at the **Traverse City Opera House** On the heels of a family
tragedy from the influenza epidemic of 1919, middle-aged spinster
schoolteacher Agnes Shanklin inherits enough money to embark
on the journey of a lifetime. Traveling to Egypt she meets and
becomes involved with a number of members of the Cairo Peace

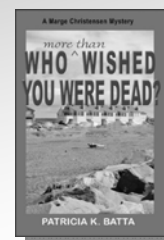
Conference, including T. E. Lawrence (Lawrence of Arabia),

Winston Churchill, and Lady Gertrude Bell. The unassuming Agnes wins the
confidence of the conference attendees and attracts the attention of a dashing
German spy. Narrated by Agnes, this atmospheric entrée into a bygone time
and place provides a first-person peek into the international political
machinations that forged the contemporary Arab world.

— *Random House, \$7.98 hardcover, \$15.00 trade paperback*

**October 22nd, Friday, 6—8 pm, AUTHOR SIGNING and
BOOK LAUNCH PARTY with Patricia Batta of**

Who More Than Wished you Were Dead?
Ocean Shores is the perfect place for Marge Christensen to get
away from it all and do a little painting. But when her son,
Robert, is implicated in a murder, Marge must delve into the
tangle of relationships, motives and opportunity to uncover the
truth. This is the third book in her "Marge Christensen"
series! — *Lillimar, \$14.95*



National Writers Series
Traverse City

National Writers Series ~ Peter Matthiessen

**October 29th, Friday, TC Opera House,
Doors open at 6 pm, Event at 7 pm, with author
Doug Stanton as host for a discussion and Q & A.**

Peter Matthiessen is considered to be one of the foremost
environmental writers of the 20th century. A two-time
National Book Award winner and three-time National Book
Award nominee, the author is both a novelist and non-
fiction writer as well as an American Indian rights advocate
and former C.I.A. recruit. The National Book Foundation
called his 2008 winner, **Shadow Country**, an "epic of
American rise and descent — poetic, mythic, devastating."

His other works include **The Snow Leopard** and **At Play in the Fields of the
Lord**, which was a National Book Award nominee.

Tickets sold at **TREATickets.com**



EDITOR'S CORNER

The Horizon Books' newsletter is used primarily as a calendar and October is loaded with outstanding book events. **Banned Books Week** this year straddled September and October, we hope you saw our display in the window. We're always amazed at what people don't want you to read.

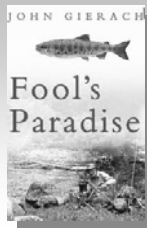
Jan Brett, the outstanding children's book illustrator and author, will visit Horizon again. Her lively and adorable new book, **Three Little Dassies**, is a retelling of the three little pigs story, this time set in Africa with sisters building their own houses and an eagle as the Big Bad Wolf.

The 2010 TCReads: One Book, One Community, launched last spring with **Dreamers of the Day** as the choice for this year. Author **Mary Doria Russell** comes to Traverse City to talk about the book and participate in some Q&A. We've witnessed many animated discussions about the book among reading groups and individuals which is the whole idea. For many it was a spur for further study and reading about the Middle East and the historical figures involved in creating the borders that exist today.

Peter Matthiessen will have to find his way past the downtown Trick or Treaters when he comes to the City Opera House on Friday, October 29th. Matthiessen has been writing for more than 50 years, that's even longer than Horizon has existed and that's saying something! He's been a favorite author since our doors opened and has won two National Book Awards in his career. The National Writers Series is hosting his visit with Doug Stanton on stage with Matthiessen.

Halloween is always the last day of October, this year it will be marking the end of an unofficial month of celebrating books in downtown Traverse City. We invite you to be a part of it!

BARGAIN BOOK of the MONTH



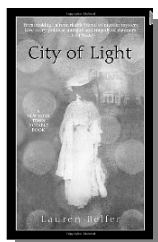
Fool's Paradise by John Gierach, Illus. by Glenn Wolff

If **John Gierach** is living in a fool's paradise, then it's a paradise that his regular readers will recognize and new fans will delight in discovering. Laced with a blend of wit and wisdom that have made him fly-fishing's foremost scribe, **Fool's Paradise** chronicles the fishing life in all its glory (catching your biggest fish ever) and squalor (being stranded in a tent during a soaking rainstorm). In Gierach's world, both

experiences are valuable, and both evoke humor and insight. Fishermen everywhere will understand Gierach's quest to discover and explore new waters (and then not to divulge the best locations to anyone), the unlikely appeal of winter fly-fishing, how impossible it is to predict the best fishing, or even the absurdity of the entire exercise. Braving trips on small prop planes and down "Oh-My-God" roads alike, Gierach and his fishing buddies pursue bull trout in British Columbia, steelhead in the Rocky Mountains, and pike so fierce that a wise fisherman wears Kevlar gloves for the obligatory trophy photo. — *Simon & Schuster*, was \$24.00, **NOW \$5.98!**

READ ME!

August's Best-selling Staff Pick was...



City of Light by Lauren Blefer
— *Doubleday*, \$12.95

"Beautifully written and absorbing, **City of Light** deftly combines history and suspense. It's 1901 and the Pan American Exposition is about to start in Buffalo, NY. The riveting plot is revealed through the eyes of Louisa Barrett, headmistress of the city's most exclusive girls' school. A murder occurs at the huge power plant at nearby Niagara Falls. We are drawn into the battle between politicians, industrialists, and conservationists, all seeking control of Niagara's mighty force.

[This is] a truly compelling first novel. — *Lois, Staff Member*

DID YOU KNOW...

Of the pumpkins marketed domestically, 99% of them are used as Jack-o-lanterns at Halloween?



HAPPENINGS

The Classics Book Club will meet on October 6th to discuss **The Kandy Kolorad Tangerine Flake Stream** by **Tom Wolfe**.

Green Party Meeting

Traverse Bay Watershed Greens will meet on Tuesday, October 19th at 6:30 pm in the lower level.

Natural Health Network

Focusing on a natural way of living and staying healthy, the Network meets @ 7 pm on the third Thursday of the month (October 21st). Contact amilek@aol.com.

No Pressure Book Club will meet on the last Wednesday of the month (October 27th) @ 6:30 pm to discuss **Isadore's Secret** by **Mardi Link**.

Peace Alliance meets on the first Saturday of the month (October 2nd) from 10-11 am.

Traverse City Chess Club

Everyone from novice to grand-master is welcome Wednesdays @ 6 pm. Contact Joe Revnell at 633-1323.

Michigan Writers Poetry Group #2 will meet on the third Wednesday of the month (October 20th) from 7—9 pm. For more info contact Elaine McIntosh at em4357@aol.com

Black Sheep Knitters will meet every Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:30 pm in the lower level.

Cherry Capital Toastmasters meet Thursdays in the lower level @ 7 am. Improve your public speaking or leadership skills. Contact Bill Fisk @ 570-0620 or Brenda Vittorelli @ 218-2124.

The Self-Publishing Author's Group will meet October 13th, Wednesday, at 7 pm on the main level.

MUSICAL GUESTS

Every Friday & Saturday
8:30 — 10:30 pm

Friday, October 1st —

Medicinal Bob & His Snake Oil Band
This established band of five musicians perform Bluegrass at its best.

Saturday, October 2nd—

George Worthmore plays awesome classic and jazz on the electric guitar.

Friday, October 8th—

David & Paxton Duo

Originally from Traverse City, they have been performing together off and on since the mid 1960s. These seasoned performers play hits from the past eras; classic rock, folk, and folk rock.

Saturday, October 9th—

Gen & Zakk

Sweet Celtic sounds on the dulcimer, played by Gen, and the guitar, played by Zakk.

Friday, October 15th —

Songwriters in the Round

This round robin format features a different sound each time!

Saturday, October 16th —

John Bentley Fillmore

John's creative force and classic rock sound appeals to young and old alike. He colors his original lyrics with versatility and passion.

Friday, October 22nd —

Tom Kastle is a singer, songwriter, tall ship captain, and teller of tales based in the Great Lakes. He has one foot in as a singer/songwriter and the other firmly planted in the traditional maritime folk music world.

Saturday, October 23rd —

Reunion The Kluek brothers play piano and guitar, with great vocal harmonies and easy listening originals.

Friday, October 29th —

Sam Surgalski

This ninth grade wunderkind will be performing music on the piano.

Saturday, October 30th —

The Raining Frogs

This father and son duo play acoustic alternative music. Welcome them as they debut here at Horizon!

For meeting space, author or musician bookings contact
Jill Beauchamp at
(231) 946-7290 or email
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— DOWNTOWN *Fall* FESTIVE SALE —

Enjoy Downtown savings and fresh local apples at participating Downtown stores during this annual sale.

October 2nd, Saturday, all day!

DOWNTOWN HALLOWEEN WALK

Bring the kids downtown for safe and fun
Trick-or-Treating!

October 29th, Friday, 4—6 pm.

[MORE] EVENTS FOR OCTOBER:

- **October 1st, Friday, 3—5 pm:** Insider **Thomas Crumm** exposes the strategic decisions General Motors made in his book **"What is Good for General Motors."**
- **October 2nd, Saturday, 2—4 pm:** Mancelona author **Rebecca Cook** of **Breeze's Big Day** will sign her new book.
- **October 7th, Thursday, 6—9 pm:** Author **Michael Shuman** will be at the **Hagerty Center** will sign his books, along with a dinner. Speaking to follow. Contact Sandy McArthur at 947-0191 for more information.
- **October 9th, Saturday, 2—4 pm:** Author **Dave Looman** will sign his third book in a series featuring Alden, Michigan, **Charm of a Small Town.**
- **October 11th, Monday, 7—9 pm:** **Walter Echo Hawk** will sign his book **In the Courts of the Conqueror: The 10 Worse Indian Law Cases.**
- **October 16th, Saturday, 3—5 pm:** **Jane Knuth** will speak at 4 pm and also sign her book, **Thrift Store Saints.**
- **October 23rd, Saturday, 2—3 pm:** Come for an **Author Reading, Signing, and Singing!** **Mark Dunn** will be at the lower level introducing his new book of poetry, **Ghost Music.**
- **October 23rd, Saturday, 4—6 pm:** **Jennifer Charron Ward** of **Black of Night** will be available to sign your copy of her newest book!
- **October 30th, Saturday, 1—3 pm:** **Gerry Boylan** of **Getting There** and **Gerry Tales** will sign his books.
- **October 30th, Saturday, 3—5 pm:** Local author **Keith Evans** stops by and he will be here to sign **Dead Caribou Bags Hunter.**

*DID YOU KNOW...*90% of parents admit to sneaking goodies from their kids' Halloween trick-or-treat bags?



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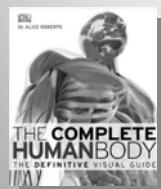
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"You cannot create a place like this; it just sort of happens."

—Victor Herman, Horizon Books' founder, *Celebrating the Third Place*

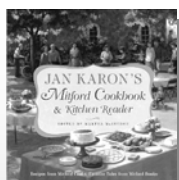


The Complete Human Body
by **DK Publishing**

We inhabit it, we are it, and we are surrounded by 6.8 billion examples of it on the planet - the

human body. Some parts of it are still mysteries to science and much is a mystery to the average person on the street. But we've come a long way from the sketches and diagrams drawn by the first anatomists in Ancient Greece. Making full use of new medical procedures and imaging techniques, **The Complete Human Body** is the definitive guide to the development, form, function, and disorders of the human body, illustrated with clarity by new computer-generated artworks and the latest medical and microscopic imaging. **Includes an interactive DVD and website!**

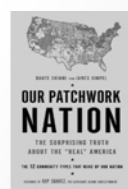
— DK Publishing, Hardcover, \$50.00



Jan Karon's: Mitford Cookbook & Kitchen Reader
by **Jan Karon**

"Food is a great way of communicating,"

says **Karon** in her charming cookbook brimming with comforting recollections, quotations, homespun kitchen wisdom and more than 150 mouthwatering recipes for foods that have appeared in the author's books. **Karon** includes full-flavored classics like Louella's Cinnamon Rolls, Lottie Greer's Fried Chicken and Country Biscuits, Cynthia's Lasagna, Puny's Macaroni and Cheese, and Lew Boyd's Chocolate Cake, all with nary a calorie counted. What makes this cookbook distinctive is that fans are treated to the exact scenes in Karon's stories where each dish was enjoyed. — Penguin, \$20.00
GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT!



Our Patchwork Nation
by **Dante Chinni**

One can't ignore the differences in a country as big as the United States and simply say, "We are all united." On the other hand, we know

there are commonalities too; they just don't look the way you think they do.

Chinni uses on-the-ground reporting and statistical analysis to get past generalizations and probe American communities in depth. Looking at the data, the country breaks into twelve distinct types of communities, and old categories like "soccer mom" and "working class" don't matter as much as we think. The author demonstrates the subtle distinctions in how Americans vote, invest, shop, and otherwise behave, reflecting what they experience on their local streets and in their daily lives. — Penguin Putnam, hardcover, \$26.00



DID YOU KNOW...About 50% of adults dress up for Halloween, while 67% take part in the activities, such as parties, decorating the house and trick-or-treating with their children?