#### PORT HURON MUSEUM

# CARNEGIE CENTER MUSEUM

1115 Sixth Street Port Huron, Michigan 48060



Open 7 days a week 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
\*Closed select holidays - please call or check website

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## **Experience Our History**

Andrew Carnegie, one of the most important philanthropists of his era, led the enormous expansion of the American steel industry in the late 19th century. After he sold his steel business he devoted his life to large scale philanthropy, with special emphasis on local libraries, world peace, education and scientific research.

In 1902, the City of Port Huron secured money from Andrew Carnegie, for \$45,000 to erect a municipal library. In 1904, a grand Beaux-Arts-style structure was built using Indiana limestone. At its dedication, Melvil Dewey, creator of a widely used book classification system, delivered the opening address. After the City Library merged with the St. Clair County Library, the building was slated for demolition. Through the dedicated efforts of concerned volunteers, the building was saved. The Carnegie Library became the Port Huron Museum of Arts and History's Carnegie Center and opened its doors on May 3, 1968.



Prices/times are subject to change.

Please check our website at www.phmuseum.org
or call (810) 982-0891 for information.

#### **Exhibits**

The Carnegie Center is home to over 15,000 objects and archival items relating to the history, pre-history and culture of the Blue Water Area. Our exhibits change quarterly and meet the interests of young and old.

The Marine Gallery was restructured in 2011 and displays over 50 handcrafted ship models and their history. The original Tiffany glass ceiling is still located in the Rotunda.

Discover the beautiful hand carved wood paneling in the McMorran room. The paneling was purchased by George Gordon Moore from England at a cost of \$125,000. He had it shipped piece by piece to his St. Clair home that was built in 1892 by Justin R. Whiting. Before the home was torn down, Bernard Kuhn and Carl Lasher gave the paneling to the St. Clair County Community College who in turn, gave it to the Port Huron Museum, which proudly installed the paneling in 1973.

Local enthusiasts will enjoy the collection of local history located on the Mezzanine with many photographs, Indian artifacts, medical artifacts and so much more.





Victorian Parlor Display

Please visit our website for latest updates and upcoming events at the Carnegie Center. Call 810-982-0891 for visit www.phmuseum.org

#### **GROUP TOURS:**

For groups of 20 or more people, please contact Anita Varty, Volunteer & Tour Coordinator, at (810) 982-0891, ext. 118 or email avarty@phmuseum.org for information regarding discounted admission rates, to schedule group tours, and to book your party, meeting or reception.

### **Admission Fees:**

Adult	\$ 7.00
Senior (60+)	\$ 5.00
Student (5+)	\$ 5.00
Family*	\$20.00
PHM Members	Free

Active Military with ID and Children 4 and under at no charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult

\*Family (2 adults + 4 children)



#### **Visit All of Our Museum Sites**

Fort Gratiot Lighthouse - 810-982-0891

2802 Omar, Port Huron

Thomas Edison Depot Museum - 810-455-0035

510 Edison Parkway, Port Huron

HURON Lightship Museum - 810-984-9768

located at Pine Grove Park, Port Huron

For More Information:

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#### **Kammer Log Cabin**

In the late 1850s, Conrad Kammer built a log home in Casco Township to the southwest of Port Huron. Generations of Kammers lived in this house. Over the years, many additions and improvements were made to keep pace with changing times and fashions. The original log walls with mud daubing had become completely hidden by two different layers of exterior siding.

In 1981, Robert Nellis bought the cabin. When he began to tear down what was then a house, he discovered the log cabin under the siding. Rather than destroy it, Mr. Nellis donated it to the Port Huron Museum and it was moved to the Museum grounds. The Museum has restored the historical structure to its approximate appearance during its early years as a pioneer home. It is currently used for educational programs and special events.

Step back in time and discover how the pioneers lived during our Pioneer Days at the Museum. School groups, scouting groups, youth groups, parties and families will participate in dipping candles, cooking over a fire, making crafts and playing pioneer games. Pioneer programs are by appointment for groups of 20 or more and have been adapted for the classroom.