



# The Connection

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**HOURS**

Monday/Wednesday  
 10am-7pm  
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 10am-5pm  
 Sat  
 10am-2pm

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**—BOOK NOOK—**

Used & collectable books  
 for sale.

**Hours**

Monday-Friday  
 10am-4pm  
 Saturday  
 10am-2pm

100% volunteer staffed—  
 please call ahead for exact  
 hours



**AUTHOR**  
*Ruth  
 Fruehauf*



Guest Speaker  
 for  
 Books for Lunch  
 Tuesday  
 March 17, 2020  
 12:00—1:00

**WEST BRANCH**  
 DISTRICT LIBRARY  
 119 North Fourth Street  
 (989) 345-2235

*Peggy Zettle*  
**MSU Extension**

**Engineering Is Enlightening**

Wednesday, March 25 2-4pm



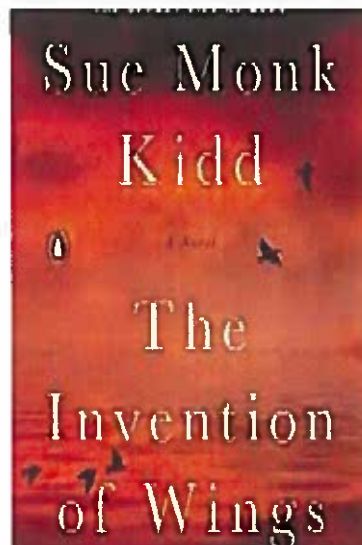
Peggy Zettle from MSU will be sponsoring a spring break event. MSU extension offers a variety of learning opportunities from health and nutrition, to civic engagement, to finance management, leadership, emotional wellness and so much more!



**The Invention of Wings**

by Sue Monk Kidd

Thursday, March 12th | 2-3pm



Sue Monk Kidd presents a masterpiece of hope, daring, the quest for freedom, and the desire to have a voice in the world.

Hefty "Handful" Grimke, an urban slave in early nineteenth century Charleston, yearns for life beyond the suffocating walls that enclose her within the wealthy Grimke household. The Grimke's daughter, Sarah, has known from an early age she is meant to do something large in the world, but she is hemmed in by the limits imposed on women.

As the stories build to a riveting climax, Handful will endure loss and sorrow, finding courage and a sense of self in the process. Sarah will experience crushed hopes, betrayal, unrequited love, and ostracism before leaving Charleston to find her place alongside her fearless younger sister, Angelina, as one of the early pioneers in the abolition and woman's rights movements.



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY 2020

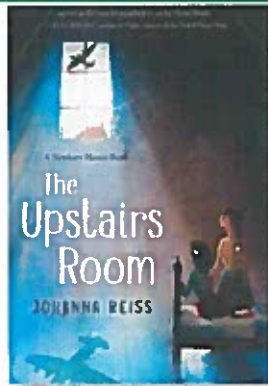
### Let's Discuss

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH

### The Upstairs Room

BY JOHANNE REISS



A classic WWII survivor story based on award-winning author Johanna Reiss's own childhood during the Holocaust.

When the German army occupied Holland in 1940, Annie was only eight years old. Because she was Jewish, the occupation put her in grave danger. Most people thought the war wouldn't last long, but Annie knew that if she wanted to stay alive, she would have to go into hiding.

Fortunately, a Gentile family, the Oostervelds, offered refuge to Annie and her older sister, Sini. For two years they hid in the cramped upstairs room of the Oostervelds's remote farmhouse. There, Annie and Sini would struggle to hold on to hope—separated from their family and confined to one tiny room—as a frightful and seemingly endless war raged on outside their window.



MSU Extension

Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention Class

Instructor

Nicole Wethington

Fridays from March 6 - May 22 (excluding, April 10 & 24)

1-3pm

### The BOOK NOOK Corner

The Book Nook has a collection of fishing books, some are signed, 25 cents and up.

If you have some extra time, visit the Book Nook and speak with a volunteer for more information.

There's always room for one more!

**March 2:** Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 5-6pm

**March 3:** Tech Tuesday, 1-4pm

**March 4:** Preschool Storytime, 11am-12pm

Let's Discuss Jr. ("The Upstairs Room" by Johanna Reiss), 4-5pm

**March 6:** Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention, 1-3pm

**March 9:** Mid-Michigan Writers Meeting 6:30pm

**March 10:** Tech Tuesday, 1-4pm

**March 11:** Preschool Storytime, 11am-12pm

**March 12:** Let's Discuss ("The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd, 2pm

**March 13:** Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention, 1-3pm

**March 17:** Tech Tuesday, 1-4pm

Books for Lunch featuring Ruth Fruehauf, 12-1pm

**March 18:** Preschool Storytime, 11am-12pm

**March 20:** Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention, 1-3pm

**March 23:** Mid-Michigan Writers Meeting 6:30pm

**March 24:** Tech Tuesday, 1-4pm

**March 25:** Preschool Storytime, 11am-12pm; Spring Break Program "Engineering Is Enlightening" with Peggy Zettle, 2-4pm

**March 27:** Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention, 1-3pm

**March 31:** Tech Tuesday, 1-4pm

THE ONLY THING THAT YOU ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO KNOW, IS THE LOCATION OF THE LIBRARY"

- ALBERT EINSTEIN