

For Further Reading...

Books suggested by OMPHS members regarding the history of early Old Mission. Some books may be out of print, but available in our local libraries, or online.

Resources:

Barns of Old Mission Peninsula and Their Stories; Evelyn Johnson; 2007

The author is also known for her work in establishing the Quilt Barn Trail on the Old Mission Peninsula

Blackbird's Song, Andrew J. Blackbird and the Odawa People; Theodore J. Karaminski; 2012

A Century of Service, The People and Places On the Old Mission Peninsula; Jack and Vi Solomonson, Ed., Mary Jo Lance, photo Ed.; 2008

A Chippewa Primer; Peter Dougherty; 1844 (reprints available)

The Eagle Returns: the Legal History of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians; Matthew Fletcher; 2012

The First Initiatory Catechism: With the Ten Commandments and the Lord's Prayer; James Gall, translated by Peter Dougherty aided by D. Rodd; 1847 (reprints available)

The First Protestant Mission in the Grand Traverse Region; Ruth Craker; 1932, 1935

Grand Traverse Legends, Vol. 1 The Early Years, 1838-1860; Robert E. Wilson; 2004

Greetings from Peninsula Home Folk; Jack E. Solomonson; date unknown

Collection of the *Peninsula News* newsletters sent to local soldiers serving during WWII and correspondence from them.

"Mapping the Grand Traverse Indian Country: The Contributions of Peter Dougherty;" Helen Hornbeck Tanner; Michigan Historical Review, 31:1, 45-92.

Memories Hidden, Memories Found, On the Old Mission Peninsula; [Julianne E. Meyer][circa 1980's]

History of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan: A Grammar of Their Language, and Personal and Family History of the Author; Andrew Jackson Blackbird; 1887

Old Settlers of the Grand Traverse Region; S.E. Wait; 1918, 1978

Omena, A Place in Time, A Sesquicentennial History, 1852-2002; Amanda J. Holmes-Omena Historical Society; 2003

100 Years From the Old Mission, A Century in Grand Traverse County, 1839-1939; Al Barnes; 1939, 2000

“Preserving and Interpreting a Shared Mission: Peter Dougherty, Chief Ahgosa, and Northern Michigan’s Old Mission;” Mary Ann Heidemann and Ted J. Ligibel; Michigan Historical Review; Vol. 43, No. 1, Spring 2017

Reflections of Yesterday; Julianne E. Meyer; 1988

St. Joseph’s Catholic Church History 1850-1996; Mary Lyon; 2000

Sprague's History of Grand Traverse and Leelanau Counties, Michigan: Embracing a Concise Review of Their Early Settlement, Industrial Development and Present Conditions, Together with Interesting Reminiscences; Elvin L. Sprague, Mrs. George N. Smith; 1903

The Story of Old Mission; Elizabeth V. Potter; 1956

The Traverse Region, Historical and Descriptive, with Illustrations of Scenery and Portraits and Biographical Sketches of Some of its Prominent Men and Pioneers; H.R. Page & Co.; 1884

Special Interest:

Architecture and Site Design Guidelines for the Old Mission Peninsula, Grand Traverse County, Michigan; Joanne M. Westphal; c1997

Diary of Peter Dougherty Vol. 1; beginning 1838; (transcribed copy, source unknown)

Greensky Hill, Historic Indian Mission Church; Morris Press Cookbooks; 2005

A parish cookbook with a few pages on the history of the 1840’s built Greensky Hill Church in Charlevoix. Peter Greensky was at one time interpreter for Rev. Peter Dougherty in Old Mission

Mission Point Lighthouse, Exploring the Maritime History and Lore of the Old Mission Lighthouse on Michigan’s Old Mission Peninsula; Laura Johnson and Stefanie Staley, 2011

The History of the Old Mission Inn; Tyler Scott Jensen; 2002

History written from the perspective of a 4th grader living in the Old Mission Inn during modern times

With Love from Old Mission; Sharon Olson; 1998, 1999 2nd ed.

“A collection of poetry, original music, and photography” – a contemporary view with reflections on the history of the Peninsula

Novels inspired by local history:

Murder on Old Mission; Stephen Lewis; 2016

Inspired by the 1895 possibly still unsolved murder of Julia Curtis

Murder Undone; Stephen Lewis; 2016