

# 2021 Events Celebrating Hemingway's Ties to Northern Michigan

As part of its year-long **HEMINGWAY HOMECOMING** celebration, the [Village of Walloon Lake](#) is hosting a virtual [Walloon Lake Reads: The Nick Adams Stories](#) event which kicks off on Thursday, **April 1 and runs through May 13**, culminating with a final tour of area sites featured in the stories. You can register for these virtual events below.

“Our inspiration for this community literary event was the 2008 Great Michigan Read of *The Nick Adams Stories*” says Dianna Stampfler, who is helping coordinate many of the 2021 events focused on Ernest Hemingway. “While many have read this book or the individual stories over the years, there are still those who have no idea how Nick Adams and ultimately Ernest Hemingway were influenced by the woods and waters in and around Walloon Lake.”

Chris Struble, president of the [Michigan Hemingway Society](#) and founder of [Petoskey Yesterday](#), will kick off the 7-week virtual Zoom series with a look inside the Hemingway family and their summers spent along Walloon Lake. He will also share some of the background about how *The Nick Adams Stories* came to be, where they were written and the significance of having them published in chronological order and released posthumously on April 17, 1972.

Register here for the WCMU Public Media and Clarke Historical Library virtual event [Hemingway in Michigan: A Live Streaming Event](#) presented on **Wednesday, March 31** at 6 p.m. Eastern, where Hemingway's deep ties to Northern Michigan will be explored along with how they influenced his attitudes, passions and writings.

Then on April 5-7 at 8 PM PBS will air the new Ken Burns [HEMINGWAY](#) documentary featuring the voice of Michigan and CMU's own Jeff Daniels as Hemingway.

The Walloon Lake Reads scheduled events following the PBS HEMINGWAY presentation will include virtual discussions on individual sections of *The Nick Adams Stories*, moderated by educators, historians and others well-versed in Hemingway's work, including: Registration is required.

- April 1 – Kickoff event with Cristopher Struble. Register at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlocu2vrzorH9y3xwk3jePpmgYHHfmAs1mk>
- April 8 – The Northern Woods with Don Daiker, Professor Emeritus of English at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Register at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlvcOCurDItdHdJC060iM5dpZYGfuQyHWnbz>
- April 15 – On His Own with Sean C. Hadley, Teacher - Trinitas Christian School in Pensacola, Florida. Register at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUqf-uorj8sGdWOXvnfWYBaNgDtJrHwFOZ7>
- April 22 – War with Peter Hays, Author & Professor Emeritus of English - UC Davis in Davis, California. Register at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlqdehrzwpHNXHmzOaNEuyzZbZRKMR0G-F>
- April 29 – A Soldier Home with Jennifer Tianen (McQuillan), English Teacher and founder of the Literary Garden at West Bloomfield High School in West Bloomfield,

Michigan. Register at:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkce2qrT8pHt0B9Q5HKx4pQP63odmMqfxl>

- May 6 – Company of Two with Katherine Palmer, Adjunct Instructor of English at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey and English Teacher at Boyne City High School. Register at:  
<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEvduCvqDotGde999RkBLvg3U1YI4MRTUkR>
- Mid-May -- A finale event will be held mid-May which likely will include a driving tour to sites around Walloon Lake and Horton Bay featured in *The Nick Adams Stories*, lead by Struble. If a public event cannot be hosted, a virtual tour will be offered.

**A Hemingway Birthday Celebration** with a handful of family-friendly events is planned for Wednesday, July 21 (Ernest was born on this date in 1899)

**Hemingway Homecoming** activities over Labor Day weekend (September 3-6) include a Wedding Reception fundraiser dinner at the Talcott Center in downtown Walloon Lake on the 100th anniversary of Ernest's wedding to Hadley Richardson at the Horton Bay Methodist Church (September 3, 1921); and the unveiling of art and historical installations downtown focused on Hemingway as well as other aspects of the village's development and growth at the end of the nineteenth and early twentieth century – like early rail travel, hotels and resorts, boating and more

The Michigan Hemingway Society is planning to resume their yearly fall conferences this year during the weekend of Oct 1-3 at the Terrace Inn. This year's topic will be **Hemingway and the "Indians"**. Watch for details at [www.michiganhemingwaysociety.org](http://www.michiganhemingwaysociety.org)

**Moderators for the Walloon Lake Reads event are:**

- **Chris Struble** — President of the Michigan Hemingway Society and Owner of Petoskey Yesterday – a local company specializing in tours of Hemingway Haunts, Prohibition, Ghosts and Paranormal locales along with other facets of Northern Michigan's rich and diverse history. He is also the owner / designer at Arlington Jewelers in Petoskey, an avid outdoorsman and photographer with a lifelong passion for history and travel. [www.MichiganHemingwaySociety.com](http://www.MichiganHemingwaySociety.com) | [www.PetoskeyYesterday.com](http://www.PetoskeyYesterday.com)
- **Don Daiker** — Professor Emeritus of English at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, has published essays on Hemingway in *The Hemingway Review*, *The McNeese Review*, the *Fitzgerald-Hemingway Annual*, the *South Atlantic Review*, the *North Dakota Quarterly*, *MidAmerica*, *Middle West Review*, and *Texas Studies in Literature and Language*. He is co-editor and contributor to *Hemingway's Combat Zones: War, Family, Self (2019)*. He serves on the Editorial Board of *The Hemingway Review*. He sometimes thinks that he is Jake Barnes. [https://miamioh.edu/cas/academics/departments/english/about/faculty\\_staff/retired-faculty/daiker-don/index.html](https://miamioh.edu/cas/academics/departments/english/about/faculty_staff/retired-faculty/daiker-don/index.html)
- **Sean C. Hadley** — Teacher, a lecturer, and an author. His essays and book reviews have been published by *FORMA Journal*, *An Unexpected Journal*, and *The Hemingway Review*. Since 2009, Sean has taught humane letters, and for the last ten years he has directed the Thesis program at two different schools. Sean has been a speaker at the [Association of Classical Christian Schools](http://www.associationofclassicalchristianschools.org) annual conference and he has presented

at other venues as well, such as Faulkner University's [Institute of Faith and the Academy](#) annual conference and the annual [American Literature Association](#) conference. Since 2014, Sean has taught at Trinitas Christian School located in Pensacola, Florida. <https://faulkner.academia.edu/SeanCHadley/CurriculumVitae>

- **Peter Hays** — Author & Professor Emeritus of English – University of California in Davis, California. He has served on The Hemingway Society and Foundation Board and is the author or editor of six books on Hemingway as well as numerous articles – the most recent books being *Fifty Years of Hemingway Criticism*, and *Reading The Old Man and the Sea* with Bickford Sylvester and Larry Grimes. <https://english.ucdavis.edu/people/plhays>
- **Jennifer Tianen (McQuillan)** — English teacher and founder of the Literary Garden at West Bloomfield High School in West Bloomfield, Michigan. The Literary Garden houses plants from American authors' homes and works to provide a multi-sensory setting for student learning (including "the close-growing mint" in "Summer People" (section 4, *The Nick Adams Stories*). Her research and writing has appeared in *The Dictionary of Literary Biography*, *Green Teacher*, *The Oakland Journal*, *Proteus: A Journal of Ideas*, and *The Literary Encyclopedia*. Tianen is the secretary of the Michigan Hemingway Society and is the editor of the Marge Bump Letters Project. Hemingway's mint is a student favorite in the Literary Garden. [www.literarygarden.org](http://www.literarygarden.org) (or on Instagram or Twitter @wbhslitgarden)
- **Katherine Palmer** — Adjunct Instructor of English at North Central Michigan College and English Teacher at Boyne City High School has taught literature, creative writing, and composition for over 15 years. Her article, "In Their Time: Making Hemingway Relevant to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Student" was presented at the 2016 International Hemingway Conference in Oak Park, Illinois. She has also presented at and moderated panels on Hemingway at the Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature and taught a class on the "Summer Education of Ernest Hemingway" at the Bay View Chautauqua.