

Revealing Hidden Historical Collections of the Upper Peninsula

The Upper Peninsula Digital Network (UPLINK) will present a two-day public event hosted by the Menominee County Public Library at the library in Stephenson, Michigan, **10am - 4 pm on August 12-13, 2022.**

This event will feature guest speaker **Jodi Perras** on Friday, August 12, at 11 am. In 2020, Jodi published an online blog that features the 1904 diary of 20-year-old Minnie Gamache, Jodi's great-grandmother. Combining historical research with entries from Minnie's diary, Jodi recreates life in early twentieth century Menominee County.



From 10 am-4pm on August 12 and 13, **UPLINK** invites local community members to digitize their family memorabilia, photographs, and cassette audio recordings. Event staff will also be available to digitally record community members' stories and memories of life in the western Upper Peninsula. Project staff will encourage participants to donate digital copies of their local history materials for inclusion in **UPLINK**. They will also be encouraged to donate the original materials to the Menominee County Library.

This event will feature:

- A morning workshop on Friday, August 12, at 10am on why digital preservation is important for local history.
- Two mobile digitization units
- Two oral history recording booths

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