

constructed 1905

Manistee County Public Library • 95 Maple Street



Architect – George L. Harvey of Port Huron

The Andrew Carnegie Library is a registered State Historic Site and Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In 1885 a group of Manistee ladies formed the Lakeside Club, whose primary goal was to create a library. In 1902 the club joined forces with the local literary society and successfully campaigned for a public library. The Andrew Carnegie Foundation funded the construction. The Manistee City Library opened in 1905. Designed by Port Huron Architect George L. Harvey, the building, with its grand entrance pavilion, reflects Beaux Arts Classicism and houses the “Great Colonial Clock,” a gift from lumber baron Edward Buckley as well as other historic memorabilia.

From the MCVB Walking Tour

Manistee Commercial Historic District – listed on the National and State Registers of Historic Places