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YOUR SUMMER ADVENTURES
BEGIN HERE AT THE LIBRARY.

Wireless Internet access is now available at the library!
Use your personal laptop computer, PDA, or Pocket PC to take advantage of the following benefits:
- No more waiting for an open Internet station
- No more time restrictions while using the Internet
- Download files to your own computer
- Access your personal software and files while using the Library's resources
- Use your own computer to access databases licensed to the Library

What you need to get connected: a wireless-enabled device (laptop computer, PDA, Pocket PC) with 802.11 b or g compatibility and Windows 98, 2000, ME, XP or Mac operating system.

Please note the following:
Wireless users do not have printer access. Users under 18 must be accompanied by a parent. When you are using the Library’s wireless Internet access, you are agreeing to accept the Library’s Internet Policies and Acceptable Use Guidelines (the full policy is available at the service desk or at http://www.hamburglibrary.org/services/computers.htm).

DROP-OFFSITE FOR RETIRING OLD GLORY
Drop-off box is available until Friday, May 27th.

The Library will be a drop-off location for retired American flags. The box is located in the foyer of the Library and proper disposal will take place by the American Spirit Center in Brighton.

For more information on flag etiquette, please visit: www.cfssa.org/flag_etiquette.htm

Computer Classes for Fall 2005
Basic computer instruction at the Library will resume in the Fall, with new course offerings in Online Shopping and Using Mel & the Library Catalog. More information will be provided in our next newsletter. You can also check the Library’s website for course listing updates at www.hamburglibrary.org.
VOLUNTEER FAIR
REACHING OUT @ THE LIBRARY

The Library is honoring International Volunteer Week.
Wednesday, June 1st, 6:00-7:45 p.m.
Thursday, June 2nd, Noon-6:00 p.m.

Many Livingston County non-profit organizations will be present at the library to offer information and recruit volunteers.

Do you enjoy gardening? Do you love animals? Are you creative with building materials? The organizations are delighted to have this opportunity to meet with the public. Many groups express concern over lack of volunteers. Duties such as answering phones, driving a patient to chemotherapy, reading a book to an Alzheimer’s patient are only a few tasks of vital importance for someone’s ability to thrive. Many types of groups will be represented, such as: Horsetail’s Haven, Habitat for Humanity, Howell Nature Center, Brighton Hospital.

We hope everyone will take advantage of “REACHING OUT”. All ages are encouraged to attend.

GENIE’S BOOK CLUB
Join friends and neighbors for refreshments and lively, informal, adult book discussions. Anyone may join the group at any time. We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. Come to the Library to pick up a copy of the following titles before the dates below.

No registration or fees.

6/01/05 Leaving Mother Lake, by Yang Erche Namu and Christine Mathieu. A memoir of growing up on the Chinese-Tibetan border in the late 60’s to 70’s, the author tells of the unique matrilineal Mosuo culture. Namu’s story is of mothers and daughters and the forces that pull them apart and bring them together, as well as the story of the author’s growing up and changing cultures. 290 pages. Non-Fiction.

6/15/05 Time Traveler’s Wife, by Audrey Niffenegger. Henry De Tamble is an adventuresome librarian who involuntarily travels through time. He may disappear without warning to reappear in the past or future. Clare Abshire is an artist with whom he is in love. Alternating between points of view, this is a story on three levels: a science fiction concept, a character study, and a touching love story. The author explores the most complex ideas of life on all three levels, and does so admirably well. New York Times Bestseller and Today Show Book Club #15. 330 pages. Fiction.

7/06/05 Quite A Year for Plums, by Bailey White. Bailey White is a popular radio commentator on NPR. Using an unusual, eccentric cast of characters with an understated storyline, she writes a joy of a book. The humor is dry, so pay attention if you don’t want to miss anything. Reading this book is a bit like sitting on the front porch with friends and discussing the days events. This is not a book about plot, but it is about the characters who will touch your heart. 220 pages. Fiction.

7/20/05 Darkest Fear, by Harlan Coben. This is the seventh in the Myron Bolitar series. “Deal Breaker” is the first. In this book Myron has a midlife encounter with issues of adulthood and mortality. A fast paced, multi-faceted read, this book grabs the heart and takes you on a roller coaster ride of emotions. You will see why Harlan Coben is a popular author. 319 pages. Fiction.

Local Author Appearance
John Phillips III will be guest speaker in September to give us an account of his true crime thriller:

God Wants You To Roll! The $21 Million Miracle Car Scam-How Two Boys Fleeched America’s Churchgoers

John will discuss the seven years he studied this shocking true crime and how this sensational ploy riveted into the largest automobile fraud ever known. John will also offer information useful to those who are beginning writers and give accounts on how he published his book.

John will be joining Genie’s Book Club in the fall with a lively discussion on the accounts of this true crime.

Watch for our fall issue with new classes being offered for holiday crafts. This series was quite successful last year, and we hope to offer some fun and clever ideas to your home décor.

The Staff and Board of Trustees are pleased to announce
LIBRARY DIRECTOR WINS AWARD OF HONOR.

On May 3rd, Holly Hentz, Director of the library for the past seven years, will receive the 2005 Loleta Fyan Rural Libraries Conference award for “Librarian of the Conference.”

This award is given to a Rural Librarian who has made outstanding contributions to effectively improve library services, who has demonstrated professionalism to promote the needs of individuals and local businesses, and who has promoted program services and business growth for Township residents and all patrons of the Library.

Ms. Hentz says, “I have very much enjoyed working with everyone, and am thankful you have let me be a part of this library. These past seven years have been a wonderful experience as the library has grown to meet the needs of the Hamburg community.”
Camp Readawatchawanna
2005 Summer Reading Program

June 17
Kick-Off Party 7:00pm
No Fee, No Registration. Join us for program registration, ice cream, face painting, magic, balloon animals, crafts and clowns.

June 22
Beverly Meyer 1:00pm
Beverly Meyer will take you on an adventure using her big Music Songbook full of songs that are full of fun and adventure. Sing-a-long, dance and laugh as we go down the dusty trail with The Music Lady.

June 28
Concho Key Chain and Bear Claw Necklace 6:30pm
Each child will be making a 7” keychain with suede, feathers, beads and a metal concho as well as a Bear Claw Necklace with wampum beads and plastic claws. One key chain and one necklace per child. Ages 6+ (5 years with parent).

July 6
Field Day 1:00pm
Join us for a Field Day at the library. Compete in 3-legged races, sack races, balloon tosses, tug-of-war, etc. Make sure to wear old clothes. Ages 8+.

July 12
Fuse Bead Designs 6:30pm
Each child will make one fuse bead design. Each kit will include one pegboard template, assorted beads, and a chain to hang the design. Staff members will be handling the irons. Ages 6+ (5 years with parent).

July 13
Josh and Roy Show 1:00pm
Prepare yourself for old-fashioned, Vaudeville entertainment. Our comedic duo mixes laughs, gaffes and physical comedy fun.

July 20
Baffling Bill 1:00pm
Discover the magic of reading with “Baffling Bill the Magician.” He will dazzle, and amaze kids of any age.

July 26
Basket Weaving 6:30pm
Each child can make two baskets. Each kit will include a basket base from 3” to 6”, reed, and beads to decorate. Ages 8+ (6 years with parent).

July 27
Kitty Donohoe 1:00pm
Enjoy “Bunyan and Banjos” with songs about Michigan ranging from maple syrup to our very own Paul Bunyan.

August 3
Science Alive 11:00am and 1:00pm
You never know what animals are going to make an appearance when Science Alive is around.

August 9
Wind Chimes 6:30pm
Each child will make one wind chime. Each kit will include 4 chimes and a shape of your choice that you will get to decorate using a wide variety of craft items. Ages 6+ (5 years with parent).

August 10
Pippin Puppets 1:00pm
After a boy at summer camp is unfriendly to the animals, laugh at what happens when those animals follow him home.

August 17
Pizza Party 1:00pm
Join your fellow readers for pizza, goody bags, and certificates of completion. Party is open to all who have met their goals.

Storytimes

STORYHOUR - Registration for the entire Fall period begins September 1st.
No Fee. Stories are read to the children for the first half-hour. The second half-hour is spent doing a small craft project related to that week’s theme. Pick up your theme list during registration. Our storytellers ask that parents remain in the library during stories and help during craft time. Storyhour program begins the week of September 21. Storyhours are Wednesdays at 10:00am and Thursdays at 10:00am and 1:00pm.

LAPSIT - Registration begins September 1st.
No Fee. For the children ages 18 to 36 months and lasts for about a half-hour. Children are held in their parent’s lap while both parent and child learn finger puppet plays, rhymes, and very simple stories. Lapsit runs from September 20 through November 8. Lapsit is Tuesdays at 10:00am.