Food for Thought

Week of November 10th - 18th
Livingston Community Gleaners Food Bank

Gleaners Food Bank barrels will be located in the library lobby. Any non-perishable food items will be gladly accepted along with personal hygiene products and general cleaning products. No glass items please.

Suggested items: Canned meals, soups and sauces (ones that include meat are best), pasta, instant potatoes, toilet paper, soap, toothpaste and laundry detergent.

In full bloom! Hamburg Township Library Beautification Committee

 Beautification Committee Mission:
To enhance the Library’s planting beds and Serenity Garden while providing resources to stimulate, educate and encourage recreation for all citizens in the community.

If you enjoy gardening (whether or not you’re a master gardener) please join us on Thursday, Dec. 6th at 5:00pm in the Library community room. We will be planning our seasonal activities for the planting beds around the building and future fundraising activities. Bring nothing but your enthusiasm and thinking cap.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Friday, November 3rd to Saturday, December 15th, 2007

The Library will be an official drop-off site for the Toys for Tots.

Accepting any new, unwrapped toy donations for all age groups.

The lobby will display the Toys for Tots bins to receive your donations. Your contribution will help the less fortunate children of Livingston County and make a happier holiday season.

A Friendly Reminder . . .

Now that the kids are back in school and reports and research papers are being assigned, the Library would like to remind everyone of the rules for internet usage. Because library computers are unfiltered, children are reminded that they need to sit with their parents when using the internet. There are four internet computers for all patrons to use, and usage time is limited to one half hour. Please remember, downloading and internet chat rooms are not allowed and printouts cost $0.10 for b&w and $0.15 for color. We thank you for your continued cooperation with this policy.
Hamburg Township Library offers MyLibraryDV™, an on-demand video service designed for home use. All cardholders have free access to this service. All you need is a computer with a high-speed Internet connection. For more information, visit the Library’s website: www.hamburglibrary.org, and click on the logo at the bottom of the homepage.

**NEW @ THE LIBRARY**

**Music Room Gets a Makeover**
Recent changes to the Music Room have created additional space for CDs, musical scores, and live performance DVDs. New items are being added all the time. Come see the amazing improvements to the Borek Jennings Music Room.

**Museum Adventure Pass**
Presented by Macy’s

In a first-of-its-kind partnership in Greater Detroit, Macy’s, Detroit metropolitan-area libraries and the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan present the “Museum Adventure Pass, presented by Macy’s”.

Beginning October 25, the “Museum Adventure Pass presented by Macy’s” will be available at all 162 public libraries located in Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne counties. Library card holders can receive up to four complimentary passes to 25 of southeast Michigan’s world-class arts and cultural institutions. Library patrons will receive a comprehensive brochure about the program, and can go online to www.detroitadventurepass.org to find a list of suggested readings, tapes and DVD’s to compliment their museum experience.

**Participating Locations:**
- Arab American National Museum
- Automotive Hall of Fame
- Birmingham/Bloomfield Art Center
- Cranbrook Art Museum
- Cranbrook Institute of Science
- Cranbrook House & Garden
- Detroit Children’s Museum
- Detroit Historical Museum
- Detroit Institute of Arts
- Dossin Great Lakes Museum
- Edsel and Eleanor Ford House
- Henry Ford Estate
- The Henry Ford, Rouge Plant Tour
- Macomb Cultural Center
- Motown Historical Museum
- Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit
- Paint Creek Center for the Arts
- Pewabic Pottery
- Plymouth Historical Museum
- Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hossen Farm
- Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
- University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History

**Cookbooks on Sale at the Library**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to Hamburg Library Cooks, a keepsake cookbook now on sale at the Library. Copies are available for $5.00 each and include favorite recipes from all over the community. Get yours while supplies last. Makes a great gift for your favorite cook.

**Hamburg Loves Chocolate!**
The results are in. On Tuesday, Sept. 25, the Library held a chocolate tasting event where participants were invited to rate their favorites in six categories. Everyone went home with a satisfied sweet tooth.

Here are the favorites by each category:

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Adult Enrichment Programs

Registration required for all programs. Registration begins Saturday, December 1, 2007. Fees must be paid at time of registration (unless otherwise noted). All programs begin promptly at times indicated. Age requirement: 15 and up.

Holiday Basket

Wednesday, December 5, 6:30-7:45 p.m.
Fee - $10
Whitmore Lake Florist’s Kathy Haughton is returning to help you create a lovely winter evergreen arrangement that can be used on a table top, mantle or doorstep. Fee includes instruction, handled basket and evergreens. Additional adornments will be available for purchase.

Beginning Yoga for Adults

Tuesday, February 19 and 26, March 4, 11, and 18 6:30-7:45 p.m. Fee - $40
Registered Yoga instructor Michelle Place provides instruction for people of all body types to perform Yoga comfortably and in a relaxed setting. This class will introduce you to the benefits of Yoga. Fee is due upon registration and is non-refundable. Bring a mat.

Children of the Holocaust Art Exhibit

Monday, February 18 – Saturday, March 14, 2008.
Public reception will be Saturday, February 23, 1:00-2:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Teas of the World

Saturday, February 23, 10:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee - $5
Karen Hartwick, tea sommelier and owner of Tea Leaves and Rosewood Manor B&B in Stratford, ON, will offer information on teas from many countries from around the world. Join us for tea tasting and munch on cookies/biscuits of various countries. Karen’s firsthand knowledge of teas has been acquired from her travels to Japan and China, and she has recently received her Level 3 certification from the Specialty Tea Institute. Teas from around the world include: Japan, China, United States, Kenya, India and Sri Lanka.

Semi-Homemade Décor

Thursday, February 21, 10 a.m. - Noon. No Fee
Talented Kalli Walcott will give instructions for a table runner which will be the first in a series for creating a beautiful table-scape using simple sewing techniques. Subsequent classes will be held in March and April, and will include: placemats, napkins and rings. Sewing experience is helpful, but not necessary. Material list to be provided at time of registration.

GET AWAY NIGHT FOR 2

At Rosewood Manor Bed & Breakfast Stratford, Ontario, Canada

One night stay with breakfast and tea tasting.

Fundraising tickets will be on sale at the Library circulation desk beginning Dec. 1, 2007 till noon on Feb. 23, 2008.
Tickets are $1 each or 6 for $5.
Drawing will take place Feb. 23rd.
Visit Rosewood Manor online at:
www.bbcanada.com/rosewoodmanor
All proceeds from ticket sales go toward Library book purchases.
THE WORST HARD TIME
by Timothy Egan
The Livingston County libraries have chosen The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl by Timothy Egan as this year’s Livingston Reads book. The program runs from February 1st to April 30th. You are encouraged to check out a copy of the book from your local public library and discuss it with your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors. Each library will be hosting events in association with the book – check with your library, the local media, and www.livingstonreads.org for up-to-the-minute posting of events.

The devastation caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita serves as a grim reminder of the destructive power of nature and the long-term effects of a single storm. In The Worst Hard Time, Pulitzer Prize--winning journalist Timothy Egan brilliantly captures the untold story of the Dust Bowl, the decade of brutally punishing dust storms that ravaged the American High Plains during the Depression and became the “worst weather event” in American history, through the eyes of those who survived it.

The Worst Hard Time captures the full drama, heroism, and terror of this unwritten chapter of the Greatest Generation, a time when the simplest thing in life — taking a breath — was a threat. The book is a testament to the power of human perseverance in the face of the most wretched of conditions, as well as a reminder that the environmental catastrophe of the Dust Bowl may be only a preview of what is in store for us in our ever-warming future.

WINTER SELECTIONS
December 5, 2007
Share-A-Book
Bring and share a book to discuss

January 2, 2008
Enslaved by Ducks, by Bob Tarte

February 6, 2008
72 Hour Hold, by Bebe Moore Campbell

Book Discussion now ONLINE at www.hamburglibrary.org
From the homepage, lower left side, click on the word, Bookclub

HAMBURG SNIPPETS
Thursday, March 27, 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Local historians will be at the Library to present “The Great Depression Comes To Hamburg.”

BOOK DISCUSSION AT STONEHOUSE CAFÉ
Thursday, April 17, 6:30pm
Join Genie and other readers to discuss The Worst Hard Time in this cozy cafe setting.

Free coffee courtesy of the Stonehouse Cafe.
AHOY READERS!

TREASURE YOUR LIBRARY ON SATURDAY.
FEBRUARY 16 @ 1:00PM

All little buccaneers will participate in crafts, enjoy some pirate grub and receive a bag of loot that would make Black Beard jealous.

Pre-registration required. For children 5 - 11 years. No fee.

PIRATE MID-WINTER PARTY

Wednesday
December 12th
at 7:00 pm

Rudolph’s red nose,
It glows like a spark.
Helping Santa to land
On the roofs in the dark.

To see the chimney
And slide down in a flash
In order to leave
The gifts then dash ...

But before all of this
Can happen one night
He’ll stop by the library
So make sure to sit tight

He’ll read you a story
He’ll listen to your lists
He’ll make sure there is nothing
He’ll forget or he’ll miss

When he finally shows up
From his frosty cold flight
Wishing Merry Christmas
to all
And to all a good night.

SNUGGLE STORIES
Every third Thursday at 7:00 pm
January 17 – April 17, 2008

Children are invited to bring their favorite blanket or stuffed animal. Bedtime stories, fingerplays, and songs will be the order of the evening. Jammies are okay to wear. Snacks will be provided by the Cookie Fairy.

STORYHOUR
Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10:00am
January 9 to April 30, 2008

Children enjoy 30 minutes of storytelling followed by a theme-related craft. Parents are expected to stay with their children and assist with the craft. An end-of-session party will be held on the last day of the program, April 30, 2008.
Remember Book Drop, Holds and Renewals
There is a 24 hour book return by the 5 minute parking area. Renewals and holds can be done by phone, in person, or online at www.hamburglibrary.org.

Library Closings:
Christmas - December 22 - 25
New Years - December 29 - January 1
MLK - January 21
President’s Day - February 18