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Chili Cook-Off Beat the Smoke Doctor!

Saturday, February 18, 11am - 2pm

**registration begins December 19*



Come support the Library and enjoy delicious chili from your friends and neighbors, then vote for your favorites. Top three will receive cash prizes as well as go up against the Smoke Doctor in a battle for bragging rights and 'Master Chili Maker' trophy.

\$5 per person will get you samples of each chili and all proceeds will benefit the Library's summer reading programs.

To enter your chili in the cook-off, you must pre-register. Anyone 12 years or older is welcome to participate. Bring your chili in a slow cooker between 10:30am-11am with any accompanying toppings you wish.

***prizes provided by*



Adult Programs

Registration is required for all programs and crafts.

Registration begins online December 19

Registration is required for all programs to ensure access to program and crafting supplies.

Age requirement is 15+ years.

You can register for programs by calling 810-231-1771 or visiting hamburglibrary.org

**Registration begins December 19*

Adult Pick-Up Crafts

A craft kit will be provided via curbside or in-library pickup for those who have registered.

A tutorial link will be included so you can learn and complete the craft at your own speed.

Week of February 6: Tissue Paper Vase & Tissue Paper Flowers

Bring some spring into your home with this colorful vase and incredible paper flowers.

Week of March 6: Pom-Pom Spring Bunny Wreath

Hop into spring with a bright and cheery wreath.

Week of April 3: Clothespin Dragonflies

Add to your room decor with these lovely dragonflies.

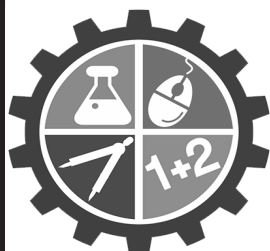
Week of May 1: Painted Daisy Mason Jars

Create a beautiful spring vase to put your flowers in when they pop up in your garden.



Leap into Science: STEM activities for Kids

Leap into Science, in connection with The Franklin Institute Science Museum in Philadelphia, PA, is a national program designed to build interest and skills in science and literacy for children ages 3-10 and their families.



Come share in the fun with Ms. Carol & Ms. Christie.

**registration begins December 19*

Tuesday, February 7 @ 6:30pm
Wind and Air

Tuesday, February 14 @ 6:30pm
Light and Shadows

Tuesday, February 21 @ 6:30pm
Balance

Family Fun Concert

Location to be determined

Saturday, March 11 @ 10:30am

Families with children 5 and under

No Registration Required

The Livingston County libraries will be holding a joint celebration of early literacy with a musical concert by Beverly Meyer as well as a take home item.



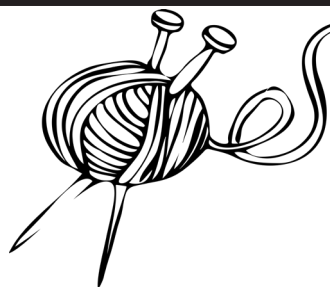
Mother's Day Craft

Wednesday, May 3 @ 6:30pm
Pickup: after Wednesday, May 10
Ages 12 and under

**Registration begins December 19*

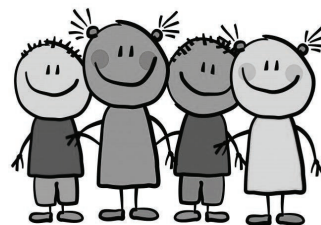
Come paint some ceramics from the Ceramics Studio in Howell.

Make something from the heart for your mom, your grandma, your aunt, or another special someone.



Kids Craft Fair

Friday, June 9
7pm-8pm



Come to the Library during our Summer Reading Kickoff Party to view and buy crafts made by the kids of Hamburg Township. Everything is handmade and past items have included hand-knit scarves, soaps, pillowcases, pet toys, flower pots, and bowls.

Calling all crafters (ages 17 and under):

If you would like to sell items, pick up an application from the front desk or online at hamburglibrary.org

Program Series

*registration begins
December 19

Genealogy Walk-In Assistance

Tuesdays, 1-3pm, In-Person

January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2

No Registration Required - Free Service

A volunteer from the Livingston County Genealogical Society with experience in Ancestry, MyHeritage, and FamilySearch will be on-hand to provide free basic and continuing research genealogy help. These sessions are for both the experienced with detailed questions and the newcomer wanting to start their own tree.

This is not a class, just one-on-one help on a first come, first serve basis.

Genealogy Series w/Ginger Ogilvie

Wednesday, January 25 @ 6:30pm, Virtual

Intermediate Genealogy: If you are an experienced beginner looking for new challenges, this is your program.

Wednesday, February 22 @ 6:30pm, Virtual

DNA 101: Getting Started: This class is for anyone who has been thinking about taking a DNA test or wondering what to do after taking one.

Wednesday, March 22 @ 6:30pm, Virtual

DNA - Now What? Steps To Take After DNA Testing: This class will provide a practical list of "to-do's" once you have your DNA results.

Yoga

Tuesdays from January 10 - May 30 *

9:30 am -- \$10/class (non-refundable)

Relax and restore with this gentle, stress-relieving yoga practice. Create harmony and balance of body and mind through physical postures, breathing techniques, and an extended guided relaxation at the end of class. Suitable for most fitness and experience levels. Modifications are offered for both dialing back and going deeper into your practice. This class is a perfect introduction to yoga. Instructor - Andrea Dinsdale from Crysterra Wellness. *In Person*.

**no class March 28, April 4, and April 11*

Great Decisions

Mondays @ 1:30pm

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. For more information & to order the booklet go to www.fpa.org. *Virtual*.

February 13

Topic: Energy Geopolitics

March 13

Topic: War Crime

April 10

Topic: China and the U.S.

May 15

Topic: Economic Warfare

HTL Spice Club

Tuesdays, 1pm, Virtual

February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16

Do you love to cook? Do you like to try new flavors and recipes? Or maybe you are in a cooking rut and don't know how to start expanding your cooking repertoire. Then we have got just the club for you! The HTL Spice Club.

Pick up your spice on the 1st of the month and receive a history about the spice as well as a few different recipes. We will meet later and discuss the pros and cons of the recipes/spice and share cooking tips and ideas.

go to our website to find out the spice

American Music History Series w/ Stuart Johnson

Monday, March 20 @ 6:30pm, In-Person

Music of the Great Depression, 1929-1932

Monday, April 17 @ 6:30pm, In-Person

Girl Singers of the Big Band Era, 1935-1945

Monday, May 15 @ 6:30pm, In-Person

Music of the Postwar Years, 1946-1955



Story Hour

January 16 through April 27

*Registration begins online December 19

*****Attendance Policy:** if you miss more than 3 story hours without notification to the library, you will be removed from story hour so the spot can be filled by another child

Story hour will be in person this winter and we would like to share a few things: our readers will not be wearing masks, class sizes will be smaller, and crafts will be take-home.

Lil' Wiggles Baby Time

Thursdays: 10am - 10:45am January 19 to April 27

Geared toward newborn to 2 year olds.

Join us for 45 minutes of fun! Caregiver and child will interact while participating in stories and songs in a format designed especially for babies. Free play will follow with age appropriate toys and socialization for babies and caregivers. Toys will be disinfected after each use.

Lapsit

Mondays: 10am - 10:30am
January 16 to April 24

Geared toward 2 and 3 year olds.

Enjoy up to 30 minutes of stories and songs, all from the comfort of the caregiver's lap, followed by a take-home craft.

Story Hour

Mondays: 1:30pm - 2:15pm January 16 to April 24
Thursdays: 10am - 10:45am January 19 to April 27

Geared toward 3 to 5 year olds.

Children will enjoy up to 45 minutes of storytelling followed by a take-home craft.

Get 'Crafty' at the Library

Ages 9-15

**Registration for each program begins December 19*

Come and get crafty at the library on select Wednesdays this winter.

We'll provide the materials and the space and you provide the 'craftiness' :)

Wednesday, January 18 @ 6pm
"Bandana Pillows"

Wednesday, February 15 @ 6pm
"Book Page Hedgehogs"

Wednesday, March 22 @ 6pm
"Clothespin Peg Lamps"

Wednesday, April 19 @ 6pm
"Yarn Wrapped Bottles"



get your craft on

Drop-In Craft Days

Fridays

1/13, 2/24, 3/17, 4/28 -- 3pm - 5pm
No registration required (drop in anytime)

Calling all crafty kids ages 6 and up.

The library has an abundance of leftover crafts as well as a ton of crafting supplies.

Drop in and see what fun things you can make!

Read to Oscar the Dog!

Wednesdays

1/25, 2/22, 3/29, 4/26, 5/31 -- 4:30-5:30pm
**Registration begins December 19*

Register for a 15 minute time slot between 4:30 and 5:30pm and read to Oscar.



Arrive a few minutes early and hang out in the library until it's your turn :)

Adult Programming

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December 19

January

Monday, January 9, 6:30pm, Virtual Becoming the Motor City: A Time Line of Detroit's Auto Industry

Detroit author and historian Paul Vachon revisits the time line format in this new exploration into the depths of Detroit's automotive history. Through photos, stories, and history, he paints a vivid picture of the city's past.

Wednesday, January 11, 6:30pm, Virtual Gone: The Greatest Shipwreck Mystery of the Great Lakes

Many ships have "gone missing" in Lake Superior, but the most inexplicable loss was the French Navy minesweepers *Inkerman* & *Cerisoles*, each with 38 French sailors and a Great Lakes pilot aboard. Maritime historian and author Frederick Stonehouse tells us their story.

Thursday, January 19, 6:30pm, Virtual Night at the Antique Store: Four Mystery Authors Tell All

Love antiques and mysteries? Then join us for a fun discussion about both with local author Tracy Gardner and authors Cordy Abbott, Connie Berry and Trish Esden.

Saturday, January 28, 2:00pm, In-Person RJ Spangler Quintet

The RJ Spangler Quintet, Detroit-based artists, will perform a musical gumbo of swing, soul-jazz and New Orleans traditional along with selections from the Great American Song Book.



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March

Tuesday, March 21, 6:30pm, Virtual The Purple Gang: Detroit's Own Prohibition Era Gang

Historian Joe Oldenburg tells the story of the notorious Purple Gang, who were strong enough to tell Capone to keep out of Michigan and he did.

February

Wednesday, February 8, 6:30pm, Virtual DIA: The Essentials

Explore select DIA artworks to gain an appreciation of the diversity, quality, and world-class status of the museum's collection with a speaker from the DIA.

Thursday, February 9, 6:30pm, Virtual Autotram: Clark Equipment Company's Aluminum Railcar

In 1932, Clark Equipment Company in Battle Creek rolled out a futuristic self-propelled railroad passenger car. All aluminum and powered by a Cadillac V-16 engine, the Autotram topped 70 mph. Learn more about this with historian Bob Myers from the Historical Society of Michigan.

Monday, February 13, 6:30pm, Virtual Mackinac Bridge: Then and Now

Learn about the history of straits area transportation and the building of the Mackinac Bridge. Also, learn about maintenance on the bridge and bridge related current events.

Saturday, February 25, 2pm, In-Person Phillip J. Hale Trio Jazz Performance

Phil Hale, gifted musician for thirty years, will bring his trio to the library for an afternoon of jazz.



April

Tuesday, April 11, 6:30pm, In-Person The Schvitz: Detroit's Only Historic Bath House Left in the City

"Schvitz Happens" - join us for a presentation about the notorious past, lively present, and bright future of The Schvitz (Yiddish for sweat) - Detroit's original urban health club and the only historic bathhouse left in the city.

Saturday, April 22, 1-3pm, In-Person Embroidery Class - Bookmark

Come learn to cross-stitch and make a bookmark for yourself or a gift for someone else. This class is for ages 16 and up. You will learn from members of the Livingston Lakes chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America.

Saturday, April 29, 11am or 2pm, In-Person Cooking Demo w/Samples: Lavender Chicken, Lavender Roasted Potatoes w/Salad & Lavender Vinaigrette

Join Regina from Hamlett Lavender Farm in Dexter for a cooking extravaganza. Patrons will assist Regina and there will be samples of the dinner for everyone. Limited to 20 people. *Choose only one time.*

** program sponsored by Friends of the Hamburg Township Library

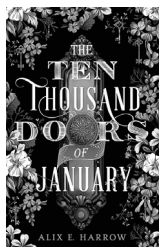
Jackie's Book Club

To participate, please complete a one-time registration so the library has your email address.

Join your friends and neighbors for a lively, informal adult book discussion at 1pm on the first Wednesday of each month. Discussions will be via Zoom. Pick up a copy of the book before the discussion dates.

February 1

The Ten Thousand Doors of January By Alix E. Harrow



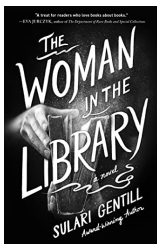
In a sprawling mansion filled with peculiar treasures, January Scaller is a curiosity herself. As the ward of the wealthy Mr.

Locke, she feels little different from the artifacts that decorate the halls: carefully maintained, largely ignored, and utterly out of place.

Then she finds a strange book. A book that carries the scent of other worlds, and tells a tale of secret doors, of love, adventure, and danger. Each page turn reveals impossible truths about the world and January discovers a story increasingly entwined with her own.

March 2

The Woman in the Library By Sulari Gentill



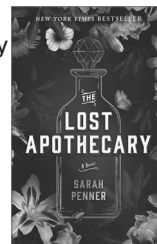
Ned Kelly award winning author Sulari Gentill sets this mystery-within-a-mystery in motion with a deceptively simple, Dear Hannah, What are

you writing? pulling us into the ornate reading room at the Boston Public Library.

The tranquility is shattered by a woman's terrified scream. Security guards take charge immediately, instructing everyone inside to stay put until the threat is identified and contained. While they wait for the all-clear, four strangers, who'd happened to sit at the same table, pass the time in conversation and friendships are struck. Each has his or her own reasons for being in the reading room that morning—it just happens that one is a murderer.

April 5

The Lost Apothecary By Sarah Penner



Hidden in the depths of eighteenth-century London, a secret apothecary shop caters to an unusual kind of clientele. Women across the city whisper of a mysterious figure named Nella who sells well-disguised poisons to use against the oppressive men in their lives. But the apothecary's fate is jeopardized when her newest patron, a precocious twelve-year-old, makes a fatal mistake, sparking a string of consequences that echo through the centuries.

Meanwhile in present-day London, aspiring historian Caroline Parcellwell spends her tenth wedding anniversary alone, running from her own demons. When she stumbles upon a clue to the unsolved murders that haunted London two hundred years ago, her life collides with the apothecary's in a stunning twist of fate—and not everyone will survive.

May 3

The Travelling Cat Chronicles By Hiro Arikawa



We take journeys to explore exotic new places and to return to the comforts of home, to visit old acquaintances and to make new friends. But the most important journey is the one that shows us how to follow our hearts...

With his crooked tail—a sign of good fortune—and adventurous spirit, Nana is the perfect companion for the man who took him in as a stray. And as they travel in a silver van across Japan, with its ever-changing scenery and seasons, they will learn the true meaning of courage and gratitude, of loyalty and love.

Food for Thought

March 1 to March 31



Please donate non-perishable food, hygiene, and cleaning products for Gleaners Food Bank in the barrel in the front lobby.

Bonus:

One item donated = One item's fines removed

Bring your donations to the front desk to receive your fine amnesty.

(Does not cover cost of lost/damaged items)

Library of Things

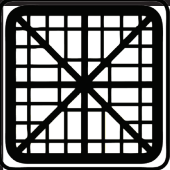
If you've been to the library lately, you may have noticed we've got new items in our library of things collection, including:

Rubber Stamp Kits
Lawn Games
Kids Speedy Reader Kits
An Electric Keyboard
A Portable Projection Screen



In addition to our new items, we are always adding to our current collections:

Board Games, Early Learning Kits, Activity Kits, and Book Club Kits



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Friday: 12-6

Saturday: 9-5

Dates Closed:

January 2: New Year's Day Observed

January 16: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February 20: Presidents Day

April 7: Good Friday

May 29: Memorial Day

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They are always looking for members to help with hosting fundraising events, working with the community, and other volunteer opportunities.

Benefits of being a member include early access to book sales, discounts in the library ongoing sale room, and more.

Contact them at info@friendsofhtl.org or visit their website.



Friends of HTL Book Sale @ the Library

Monday, April 3 - Saturday, April 8

Friends members pre-sale: April 1

All hardcovers and AV are \$1.00 each, softcovers are \$0.25 each, or \$5.00 to fill a grocery bag. We will supply the grocery bags. The Friends will accept donations Saturday, March 25 through Thursday, March 30.

Items not accepted:

Reader's Digest condensed books, magazines, encyclopedias, text books, or anything musty, dirty or damaged. Receipts will be given if requested.