

Hamburg Township Library

Library Hours:

Monday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Wednesday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Thursday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Friday: Noon - 6:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday: Closed

Library Closing:

January 1: New Year's Day
January 20: Martin Luther King
February 17: President's Day
April 18: Good Friday
May 26: Memorial Day

Library Board:

Matthew Assenmacher
Jodie Colone
Mary Evergreen
Richelle Hocking
Bridgette Rosek
Crystal Walter

*Library board meetings are held on the
third Tuesday of every month at 7pm.
The public is welcome:*

January 21
February 18
March 18
April 15
May 20

Winter 2025
January - May

All program registration begins Wednesday, December 18 @ 9am



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Music

Tiny Art Show

Ann Arbor Symphony Wind Quintet

Saturday, February 1 @ 1:00pm

Mardi Gras Jazz Concert w/ RD Spangler

Saturday, March 1 @ 2:00pm

**sponsored by Friends of Hamburg Township Library

Phil Hale Quartet

Saturday, May 3 @ 2:00pm

March: Canvas pick-up/drop-off

April: Visit the Tiny Art Show!

May 1-10: Pick up your Art

(art will be discarded after May 10)

Join your fellow artists in our tiny art show!

Pick-up your 4" x 4" canvas at the front desk anytime in March.

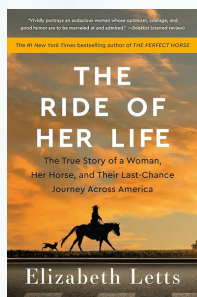
Decorate them (family-friendly), then return them (by March 31) for display in April.

All ages welcome to participate.
The more, the merrier!

Jackie's Bookclub

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 in-person. Pick up a copy of the book before the discussion dates.



***The Ride of Her Life* by Elizabeth Letts**

The book shares the story of Annie Wilkins, a farmer in 1950s Maine who fell ill and lost her farm due to debt. Annie refused to become a "charity case" at the local county home, instead setting off on one last adventure: to ride her horse from Maine to California and see the Pacific Ocean before she died. The book explores themes related to societal transformation, neighborly kindness, and personal resilience.

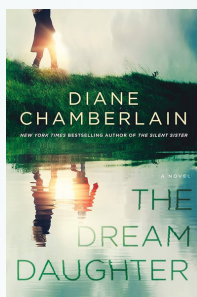
February 5

***Sylvia's Second Act* by Hillary Yablan**

Sylvia's Second Act is a delightful and humorous read that will captivate fans of lighthearted, feel-good stories about women embracing their second acts, featuring themes of empowerment, adventure, and self-discovery in the vibrant city of Manhattan.



March 5



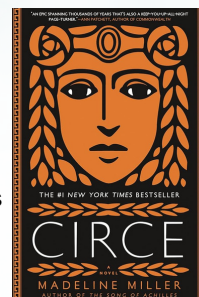
***The Dream Daughter* by Diane Chamberlain**

The Dream Daughter tells the story of Caroline, a mother in the 1970s who learns that her unborn daughter has a serious heart condition. As she grapples with this devastating news, Caroline is determined to find a way to save her child. The novel explores themes of love, sacrifice, and the challenges of facing difficult decisions, highlighting the powerful bond between a mother and her daughter.

April 2

***Circe* by Madeline Miller**

The book reimagines the life of the mythical witch Circe, daughter of the sun god Helios. Exiled to the island of Aiaia, Circe discovers her own powers and learns to navigate the complexities of love, betrayal, and identity. Throughout her journey, she encounters various figures from mythology, while struggling to find her place in a world dominated by gods and heroes.



May 7

Spring Booksale



Monday, May 12 –
Saturday, May 17

during regular library hours

Friends pre-sale:
Saturday, May 10, 9am–12pm

Donations:

Will be accepted from 5/5 - 5/10

Items not accepted:

Reader's Digest condensed books, magazines, encyclopedias, reference titles, textbooks, VHS, bibles, or anything musty, dirty or damaged. Receipts will be given if requested.

Pricing:

All hardcovers are \$1.00 each;
AV & paperbacks are \$0.50 each;
or \$8.00 to fill a grocery bag.
We will supply the grocery bags.

Scrapbooking

It's an Extravaganza!

Are you ready to work on your scrapbook?
Come to the Library for 12 hours of uninterrupted scrapping. Bring your own supplies and spread out on a 6-foot library table. You'll also have use of the library's Ellison die cut machine.
Breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks will be provided.

Registration begins December 18 @ 9am.

Hurry to reserve your space!

\$40 per person (one person per table)

Saturday, January 25th, 8am-8pm

***Friends of Hamburg Township Library fundraiser*

Gardening

Native Plants

Join Barbara Gregerson, a Consumer Horticulture Educator from Michigan State University, for our spring gardening series.

Wednesdays @ 10am

\$25 for the series (classes not sold separately)

Registration begins December 18 @ 9am.

March 26: How to identify and remove invasive plants and what native plants to replace them with.

April 2: Choosing native plants for purpose -- wildlife, birds, pollinators, etc.

April 9: How to choose an area and plant a native garden. Hands-on.

April 16: Starting native plants from seeds: what to grow now and what needs to wait until fall. Hands-on.

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Adult Programs

This winter, there will be a mixture of in-person and virtual programming. Please read the descriptions carefully.
All virtual (v) adult programs will be presented via the downloadable app ZOOM.
Program links will be sent by email to those who have registered.

All in-person programming is subject to change to virtual if necessary. Age requirement is 15+ years.

Registration is required for all programs and crafts. Registration begins Wednesday, December 18 @ 9:00am

January

Craft: Snowman Nightlight (\$5/person)
Saturday, January 18 @ 1:00pm

Join us for a fun fused glass snowman nightlight workshop! This beginner-friendly class involves minimal glass cutting. All materials are provided. Laurie from Kiss My Glass will kiln-fire your projects and return them to the library for pickup in about 10 days.



Belle Isle: Native Roots (v)
Thursday, January 23 @ 6:30pm

Cate Waldecker of the Detroit Historical Society will discuss the history of Indigenous land stewardship on the island and how it changed with the arrival of the Europeans.

February

When Detroit Played the Numbers (v)
Tuesday, February 4 @ 6:30pm

Author Felicia George will discuss how “playing the numbers” in Detroit’s illegal lottery grew from being a state-proclaimed crime—with issues of race, politics, and scandals—to an encouraged legal activity.

History of Race Relations in Livingston County (v)
Thursday, February 13 @ 6:30pm

Livingston County resident Dr. Leo Hanifin will discuss his short book about the history of race relations in Livingston County from Indigenous people to the arrival of Europeans to the area and beyond.

Midnight Detroit: Underground Railroad (v)
Tuesday, February 18 @ 6:30pm

Codenamed Midnight, Detroit was a vital station on the Underground Railroad. Learn about how Detroit abolitionists helped those from the south evade slave catchers and the local law on their way to Canada. Presented by Billy Winkle, Assistant Curator, Detroit Historical Museum.

March

Michigan’s Ladies of the Lights (v)
Monday, March 10 @ 6:30pm

Join us and learn more about these women before their time, taking on the romantic, yet dangerous and physically demanding job of tending to the beacons that protected the shorelines of Michigan.

Born to Fly by Nancy Harkness Love (v)
Thursday, March 13 @ 6:30pm

Michigan-born Nancy Harkness Love set out to form a women’s flying squadron at the outbreak of WWII. Learn about Love’s tenure as director of the Women’s Auxiliary Ferry Squadron and her other high-flying accomplishments.

Lighthouse Technology (v)
Monday, March 24 @ 6:30pm

Explore the evolution of lighthouses from traditional structures to modern, technologically advanced beacons, from the early use of lenses and mirrors to the incorporation of electricity and automation.

Sailboat Racing on the Great Lakes
Tuesday, March 25 @ 6:30pm

Local sailor, Jeff Kaloustian, will regale us with tales of sailing the Great Lakes including the Port Huron to Mackinac race.

April

1968 Tigers
Tuesday, April 8 @ 6:30pm

Relive the 1968 championship year of the Detroit Tigers and how it helped heal the city of Detroit with Jeremy Dimick from the Detroit Historical Society.



Building a Better Car: The Road to Saving Chrysler
Monday, April 14 @ 6:30pm

Learn about Lee Iacocca and the contributions of union workers, cooperation of the government, success of the K-car, and other factors helped ensure the effort to save Chrysler succeeded in the 1980s.

Tucker vs. Detroit
Monday, April 28 @ 6:30pm

Was Preston Tucker a visionary with bold ambitions, or did his dream of the car of tomorrow clash too fiercely with the Big Three?



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@ 9am

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Great Decisions

Mondays, 1:30-3pm, In-person
February 10, March 10, April 14, June 9

Join the Library's Great Decisions group. Discussion is about world affairs and is facilitated by The Foreign Policy Association (www.fpa.org)



Genealogy Walk-In Assistance

Second Tuesday of the Month, 9am-Noon
No Registration Required - Free Service

This is not a class, just one-on-one help on a first come, first serve basis. A volunteer from the Livingston County Genealogical Society will be on-hand to provide free, basic and continuing genealogy research help. All levels of experience welcome.



Drop-In Mahjong + Classes

Learn a fun hobby and meet new friends. Our local Mahjong Club will teach you to play in just one lesson.

Learn to Play Thursdays:

January 2 or February 6, 1pm-3:30pm

Drop-In Play (beginner to experienced):

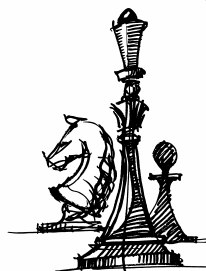
Every Thursday (beginning January 2), 1pm-3:30pm



Drop-In Embroidery & Stitching

First & Third Fridays, 12pm-4pm

Join us for a drop-in session and get to know your fellow embroiderers/stitchers in the area. Bring a project or start a new one, and socialize at the same time. All levels of experience welcome.



Drop-In Chess Club

Every Thursday, 4-7:30pm
All ages welcome

Interested in playing chess?

Drop in anytime between 4pm & 7pm for a casual game or two. All ages welcome, but you must know how to play. There is no teaching time available.

Bring your own standard/tournament chess set with you. We will have a few sets on hand for patron use.



HTL Spice Club



Tuesdays @ 1pm, Virtual

February 18: Chinese Five Spice
April 15: Garam Marsala

March 18: Mint
May 20: Lemon

Spice Club is for both experienced and new cooks. So whether you want to try a new flavor or are just in a cooking rut, the HTL Spice Club is the group for you.

You pick up your Spice Kit on the 1st of the month and then we will meet on the 3rd Tuesday to discuss the pros and cons of the recipes/spice and share cooking tips and ideas.

Adult Craft Kits

You must register to participate in crafts.

Week of Monday, February 3: Valentine Button Heart Sign

Create a button heart at the center of this 8x8 wooden frame covered in a page from a book for an imaginative Valentine wall hanging.

Week of Monday, March 3: Shamrock Felt Banner

Have fun making this 9x18 felt banner with 'Shamrocks and Luck' to hang on your wall to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Week of Monday, April 7: Decoupage Vases w/ Flowers

Bring spring into your home when you create two matching fabric covered decoupaged vases.

Week of Monday, May 5: Book Page Spring Flower Wreath

Take a wire wreath and an old book and turn it into a beautiful flowered wreath.

**Sample photo does not represent the materials provided in your kit.*





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Kids Programs

Registration begins
Wednesday, December 18
@ 9am

Story Hours

*** 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.



Lil' Wigglers Baby Time

Thursdays: 10-11am

January 9 - May 1

Ages: Newborns 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 toys and socialization.



Lapsit

Mondays: 10-11am

January 6 - April 28

Ages: 2 and 3-year-olds.

Enjoy stories and songs from the comfort of the caregiver's lap, followed by in-person crafts.



Preschool Story Time

Thursdays: 11am-Noon

January 9 - May 1

Ages: 3 to 5-year-olds.

Let's get messy and have fun! Listen to some stories, sing some songs, then create art and crafts through a variety of materials, textures, and colors. Dress for a mess.

visit: htlkids.weebly.com
for all things HTL Kids

Little Yogis Preschool Yoga

Tuesdays @ 10am

February 4, 11, 18, 25

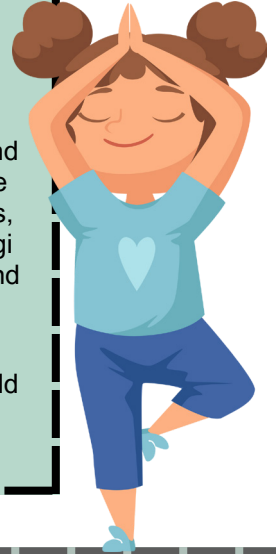
Ages 2-6 -- Registration required

Come stretch, breathe, move, dance, relax, create, and have FUN! These classes will include age-appropriate yoga and movement; breathing, poses, games, stories, music, relaxation, meditation, and more. Your little yogi will get to practice fine and gross motor skills, social and group skills, and begin to learn mindfulness and breathing/calming tools.

*Bring yoga mats or beach towels for you and your child

*registration is for the four-class session

event funded by the Friends of the Hamburg Township Library



Valentine's Day Craft

Wednesday, February 12 @ 6:30pm

Ages 6 and under

Registration required

Join Ms. Meghann and Ms. Laura in making a special Valentine gift for your most favorite person in the whole wide world.

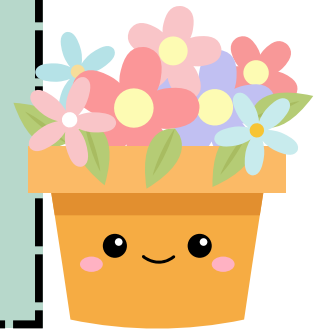
Mother's Day Craft

Wednesday, April 30 @ 6:30pm

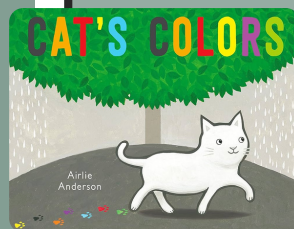
Ages 3 and up

Registration required

Come create a personalized flower pot. It will make the perfect gift for your mom, your grandma, your aunt, or another special someone.



Lakeland Trails Story Walk



Visit the Winkelhaus Trailhead off Hamburg Road and enjoy a leisurely stroll along the newly installed Story Walk. Discover the vibrant panels of Cat's Colors by Airlie Anderson, where you can learn about colors while having a delightful time.

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@ 9am

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Lego Club

Tuesdays, 3pm - 5pm

January 14, February 11, March 11 & April 8

Ages 3-12 -- Registration required

or

Wednesdays, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

January 8, February 5, March 12 & April 2

Ages 3-12 -- Registration required

You provide the imagination, we'll provide the legos.

We'll designate a theme every month, but it's merely a suggestion for those who aren't sure what they want to build.

**We ask that parents stay with their younger kids

**You must be here before 4:30pm on Tuesdays

**You must be here before 6pm on Wednesdays



Don't forget to come
see your creations on
display in the library



Family Saturday Matinee

Saturdays @ 11am

All ages -- Registration required

Bring a blanket. Bring a pillow.

Bring a snack or cold lunch. Bring a friend.

All movies rated PG -- Movies are free and will begin promptly @ 11:00am

January 11



February 15



March 15



April 26



You might have spotted a tag like this on
one of the picture books you've borrowed.
Simply aim your smartphone camera at
the code, and you'll be directed to YouTube,
where you can enjoy a reading of the book
(and watch the video if you'd like!).

For a complete collection of our picture book
videos, visit htlkids.weebly.com.
Happy reading!

Get 'Crafty' at the Library

Wednesdays @ 6pm
Ages 9-15

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' :)

**registration required for each program



January 22
"Squashy Dice Snowmen"



February 19
"Braided Beaded Bracelets"



March 19
"Wooden Trolls"



April 16
"Summer Wooden Book Stacks"

Go online



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Friends Spring Open House:

Everyone is invited to learn what
the Friends of Hamburg Township
Library are all about.

Thursday, April 10

6:30-8pm

***refreshments will be served*

Friends of the Hamburg Township Library

2025 Membership Form

Friends of the Hamburg Township Library is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to support the Hamburg Township Library through fundraising, creating a greater public awareness of the library, and promoting community ties. Please join us!

Date: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State/ZIP: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Please make your check payable to: The Friends of the
Hamburg Township Library. Your membership form and check
can be dropped off at the library or mailed to:

Friends of the Hamburg Township Library
Attn: Membership Committee
P.O. Box 466 Hamburg, MI. 48139

Questions? Email Linda Gacioch, Membership Committee
gardengacioch@gmail.com

Volunteering

Assist at Book Sales, Friends Book Shop, Programs, Events
Serve on a Committee
Become a Member of the Board of Directors
Other interests/talents you'd like to share? _____

Membership/Dues

____ Individual (\$10)
____ Seniors (ages 60+) and Students (\$5)
____ Family (\$25)
____ Business (\$50)
____ Patron (\$100)
____ Lifetime (\$300)

*Membership/Dues are renewed annually on July 1.
Membership forms submitted in April, May, or June
will expire on June 30 of the following year.*