

Hamburg Township Library

57 years of growth with the community

September - December 2023 Volume 22, Issue 3

Memory Kits

NEW ITEM!

We've added memory kits to our items available for checkout.

Produced by the awesome people at MEternally.com, these kits use reminiscence therapy to bring emotional connection and comfort to seniors requiring memory care.

Kits check out for three weeks.



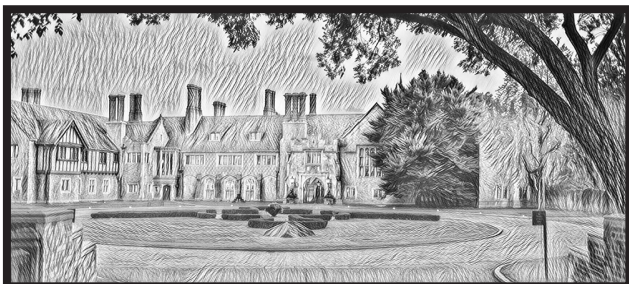
Themes include:

1950s, 1960s, 1970s, Autumn, Cats, Dogs, Farm, Great Outdoors, Handyman, Homemaker, Patriotic, Spring, Summer, and Winter

Meadow Brook Hall Reveal Tour and Lunch at the Mansion

Wednesday, October 18, 9am-4pm
\$35/person (non-refundable)
Registration required

We will have a guided upstairs/downstairs tour of the historic Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills first and then a catered lunch at the mansion afterward.



Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Holiday Brass

Saturday, December 9 @ 1pm
All ages welcome

Come join the brass musicians of the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra for a fun and festive afternoon.

Featuring a mix of beloved holiday melodies and classic tunes, this concert will delight listeners of all ages!



Adult Programs

This fall, there will be a mixture of in-person and virtual programming. Please read the descriptions carefully. All virtual 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 online Wednesday, August 23

Program Series

Great Decisions

Mondays, 1-3:30pm

Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11

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

HTL Spice Club

Tuesdays @ 1pm, Virtual

Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 19

We are shaking up Spice Club for the fall. We will travel to four distinct regions of Italy and discover the spices and herbs that make up each area.

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

Drop-In Tech Help

Wednesdays, 5:30-7:30pm

Sept. 13 & 27, Oct. 11 & 25,
Nov. 15 & 22, Dec. 13 & 27

Need some tech help with your phone, laptop, tablet, reader? We have the help.
No registration required. First come, first served.

Genealogy Walk-in Assistance

Tuesdays @ 1-4pm

Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec. 5

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 served basis.

WriteClub!

Saturdays, 1-3pm

Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2

Writing is typically a solo endeavor, but finding a community of writers that support one another can be a great source of inspiration and encouragement. Whether you already write or want to start, join our fledgling group that offers a supportive environment for you to express your creativity.



Halloween Storytelling

Join us for some not-too scary stories from storyteller Jeff Doyle, then stay after for some cider and donuts.

Friday, October 13
@ 6:30pm

ages 17 and under

****Registration required****



Ornament Making

Join us to make and decorate some Christmas ornaments.

****Registration required****

Tuesday,
November 28
@ 6:30pm
Ages 5 and under

Wednesday,
November 29
@ 6:30pm
Ages 6 and up

Numbers passed
out beginning at
6:15pm

Santa Claus

With stories, with songs,
with fun and with cheer

Santa will come
to the library this year

December is the month
and the 6th is the date

So come right on in
and do not be late!



Wednesday,
December 6
@ 6:30pm

****Registration required****

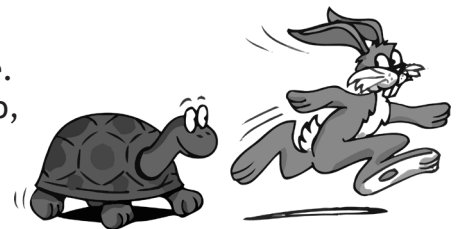
Friday, December 8
@ 1:30pm

ages 2-7

Hare and Tortoise: A Play

****Registration required****

Meet two competing friends in this fantastic adaptation of Aesop's fable. Hare and Tortoise is a story about racing, opposites, time, and friendship, brimming with ideas, characters, live music, and wonderful physicality.



September

Pierogi Making Class (\$10 person/non-refundable)

Saturday, September 23, 3-4:30pm, In-Person

Aaron Buczek of Buczek Polish Foods will host a hands-on class to learn about how to make the perfect pierogi. All supplies provided.

October

Gratiot: A Man, A Fort, A Road, A Lighthouse

Thursday, October 12, 6:30pm, Virtual

Join historian Andrew Kercher as he tells the story of Charles Chouteau Gratiot. Gratiot's name is synonymous with the eastside of Michigan. He will share tales about the Fort as well as the famous residents and the exciting life of its namesake.

Drop-In Embroidery

Saturday, October 21, 1-4pm

Get to know your fellow embroiderers in the area and join us for a drop-in session. Bring a project or start a new one and socialize at the same time. All are welcome from beginners to advanced.

Dark Corners of Michigan History

Monday, October 23, 6:30pm, Virtual

Author Tobin T. Buhk discusses some of Michigan's creepiest locations in this photographic expedition of historic prisons and county jails. Learn about late 19th century prison life and some of their most infamous residents: Pardonable Matricide; The Lonely Hearths Killers; Michigan's Strychnine Saint.

Favorite Local Authors, New Books, and Lively Discussions!

Thursday, October 26, 6:30pm, In-Person

Join us for a wonderful evening with local authors Tracy Gardner (aka Jess Sinclair) and Darci Hannah as we discuss their new novels and Tracy's new writing adventure outside the cozy world. Autumn beverages and snacks will be available.

November

Michigan Hurricane of 1913

Thursday, November 9, 6:30pm, Virtual

Charlie Shelton from the Huron-Clinton Metroparks will delve into the history of the Great Hurricane of 1913. Learn about the fury of the Great Lakes unleashed and find out about this once-in-a-lifetime tempest and how it impacted Michigan and the nation.

Michigan Architecture Series

Pewabic: Detroit's Pottery

Thursday, September 7, 6:30pm, In-Person

Join us for a look into the 120-year history of Detroit's iconic Pewabic Pottery. Explore images from the Pewabic archives during this presentation as we guide you through over a century of handcrafting pottery and tiles in Detroit. *Sponsored by Friends of Hamburg Township Library.*

Guardians of Michigan: Architectural Sculpture of the Pleasant Peninsulas

Thursday, September 21, 6:30pm, In-Person

Author Jeff Morrison will discuss his new book *Guardians of Michigan*. He will tell stories about many of the interesting architectural sculpture on buildings across Michigan. Learn about the symbolism of the art and the untold stories of the artists and architects.

Albert Kahn: The Residences

Tuesday, October 10, 6:30pm, In-Person

Historian Dale Carlson will discuss the many metro Detroit residences designed by Albert Kahn, Inc. He will focus on the residents who lived in these fabulous homes. *Sponsored by Friends of Hamburg Township Library.*

E.E. Myers: America's Greatest Capitol Architect:

Thursday, November 2, 6:30pm, Virtual

Valerie Marvin, historian and curator of the Michigan State Capitol will discuss architect E.E. Myers. Myers designed five state capitols, including his greatest work, the Michigan State Capitol building, but is barely known by anyone. Marvin will explore Myers's life and works to tell his story.



December

Hounds in History: Yooper Dogs at Work and Play

Tuesday, December 5, 6:30pm, Virtual

Get a glimpse at dogs in the Upper Peninsula from the late 1800s onward. From sled dogs that ran postal routes to faithful family companions, this program will offer anecdotes coupled with rich images. Learn why these endearing creatures are man's best friend— and one of his best muses!

Registration begins online Wednesday, August 23.

Registration is required for all programs. Age requirement is 15+ years.
You can register for programs by calling 810-231-1771 or visiting hamburglibrary.org

Story Hour

Registration for
all programming begins
August 23

****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: 10am - 10:45am Sept. 14 to Dec. 14

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.

LAPSIT

Mondays: 10am - 10:45am
Sept. 11 to Dec. 11

Geared toward 2 and 3 year olds.

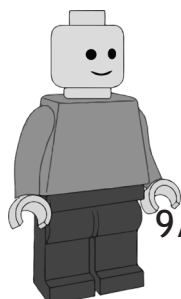
Enjoy 30 minutes of stories and songs, all from the comfort of the caregiver's lap, followed by a take-home craft.

STORY HOUR

Mondays: 1:30pm - 2:15pm Sept. 11 to Dec. 11
Thursdays: 10am - 10:45am Sept. 14 to Dec. 14

Geared toward 3 to 5 year olds.

Children will enjoy 30 minutes of storytelling followed by a take-home craft.



Lego Club

2nd Tuesday of the month
9/12; 10/10; 11/14; 12/12, 3-5pm
Ages 5-12 -- 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. Your creations will stay at the library on display until the next Lego Club.

***We ask that parents stay with their younger kids*

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

Read to Oscar the Dog!

Wednesdays

9/20; 10/25; 11/15 -- 4:30-5:30pm

Registration required



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 :)

Get 'Crafty' @ the Library

Ages 9-15

Registration required for each program

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

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

Wednesday, September 20 @ 6pm
"Puzzle Piece Canvas Art"

Wednesday, October 25 @ 6pm
"Sock Animal Mania"

Wednesday, November 15 @ 6pm
"Christmas Candle Holders"





2nd Annual Holiday Gifts for Shelter Animals

November 1 - December 9

Sponsored by VCA Countryside Animal Hospital of Hamburg

Help us give a little holiday cheer to shelter animals in the area. We provide take-home kits for you to make the gifts. When you finish the kits, drop them back off at the library and grab some more if you like. If you are not the crafty type, we will also be accepting wet and dry food donations for both dogs and cats. All gifts will be delivered before December 24.

Anyone participating can enter a drawing to win a gift basket from The Wild Indoors Pet Supplies.



**Monday, November 20 to
Saturday, December 9**

Help the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve by donating brand-new, unwrapped toys in the collection boxes in the library lobby.

*Please DO NOT donate:
stuffed animals, realistic looking weapons,
or gifts of food*

Mitten Tree for the month of December

Stop by the Library and donate some Winter Warmth!

We'll be taking new (store-bought or hand-knit) gloves, mittens, scarves and hats on the trees in the lobby



*** all donations will go to
LACASA of Livingston County*

Adult craft kits

A craft kit will be provided 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 Monday, September 11: Felt Leaf Hoop Art

Get ready for fall with this colorful trio of embroidery hoops with felt leaf cutouts embroidered onto a burlap background.

Saturday, October 14, 10:30am - 3pm: Build your own craft kit: Wicked Halloween Altered Book edition

Let your spooky creative juices flow with our Build Your Own Kit event. We will supply you with the materials and you take the kit home to create your altered book. Stations will be set up for you to choose what materials you would like to use and tutorial links will be available for you. *In-Person.*

Week of Monday, November 6: Fall Book Page Wreath

This is a unique book page wreath that allows creativity with page ends dipped in paint and fall floral picks dotted among the pages.

Week of Monday, December 4: Felt Christmas Tree Centerpiece

This felt tree is created with a 12" tall Styrofoam wreath. Fortune cookie felt pieces with buttons attached make up the tree with a gold felt star and dotted with felt pinwheel peppermint candies.

Registration begins online
Wednesday, August 23.

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

Fees are non-refundable.
Age requirement is 15+ years.

You can register for programs by calling
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Jackie's Book Club

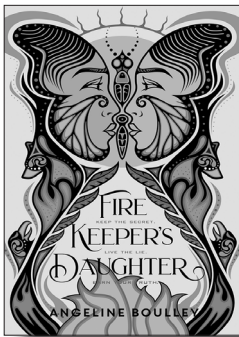
To participate, please complete a one-time registration so the library has your email address.

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

September 6

The Firekeepers Daughter
By Angeline Boulley

Following the journey of 18-year-old Daunis Fontaine as she finds herself living two disparate lives: one as a loving daughter, and one as a confidential informant to the FBI. After witnessing a murder, she must ultimately choose between protecting the people she loves or protecting her Ojibwe tribal community.



October 4

Killers of a Certain Age
By Deanna Raybourn

Billie, Mary Alice, Helen, and Natalie have worked for the Museum, an elite network of assassins, for 40 years. Now their talents are considered old-school and no one appreciates what they have to offer in an age that relies more on technology than people skills.

When the foursome is sent on an all-expenses paid vacation to mark their retirement, they are targeted by one of their own. Only the Board, the top-level members of the Museum, can order the termination of field agents, and the women realize they've been marked for death.



November 1

The Reading List
By Sara Nisha Adams

Widower Mukesh lives a quiet life in the London after losing his beloved wife and worries about his granddaughter, Priya, who hides in her room reading while he spends his evenings watching nature documentaries.

Aleisha is a bright but anxious teenager working at the local library when she discovers a list of novels that she's never heard of before. Intrigued, she decides to read every book on the list.

When Mukesh arrives at the library, desperate to forge a connection with his granddaughter, Aleisha passes along the reading list... hoping that it will be a lifeline for him too.



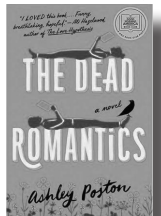
December 6

The Dead Romantics
by Ashley Poston

Florence Day is the ghostwriter for one of the most prolific romance authors in the industry, and she has a problem—after a terrible breakup, she no longer believes in love. It's as good as dead.

When her new editor won't give her an extension on her book deadline, Florence prepares to kiss her career goodbye. But then she gets a phone call and she must return home for the first time in a decade to bury her beloved father.

Even though she misses home, she can't bring herself to stay, until she finds a ghost standing at the funeral parlor's front door.



Friends of the Library Book Sale

**Monday, October 30 -
Saturday, November 4**
during regular library hours

Friends pre-sale, Saturday, October 28, 9am-12pm

Donations:

Will be accepted from
Wednesday, October 25 - Saturday, October 28

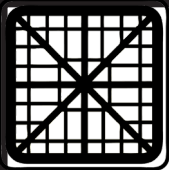
Items not accepted:

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

Pricing:

All hardcovers and AV are \$1.00 each, paperbacks are \$0.25 each, or \$8.00 to fill a grocery bag. We will supply the grocery bags.





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Hours: M-Th: 9am-8pm Friday: 12-6pm

Saturday: 9am-5pm

Closed Dates:

September 4: Labor Day

November 11: Veteran's Day

November 23 & 24: Thanksgiving

December 25 - 26: Christmas

January 1 - 2: New Year's

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Friends of the Hamburg Township Library

2023 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.*