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Hamburg Township Library

Newsletter for community residents and neighborhood friends.

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Livingston Fine Arts Association Exhibit

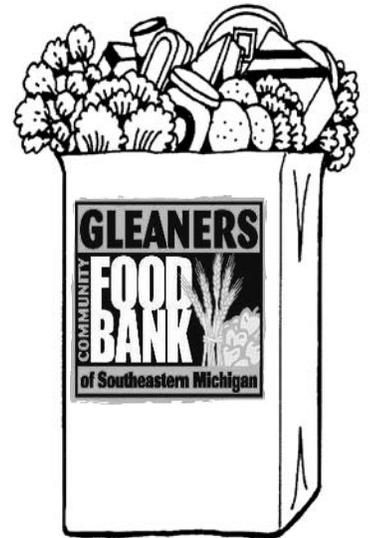
Monday, Sept. 8 to Friday, Oct. 3

Enjoy this wonderful exhibit of sculptures, oil paintings, pastels, watercolors, and acrylics at the library. A public reception to honor these local artists will be held Saturday, Sep. 13, 1:00pm – 3:00pm in the library foyer. In addition, we are pleased to announce the Brighton Touring String Orchestra Ensemble, directed by Weston Holser, who will be providing music throughout the reception. Refreshments will be served.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Food for Thought - FOOD DRIVE

Gleaners Community Food Bank is in need of non-perishable items, as well as personal hygiene items to fill their pantry shelves. The poor economy continues to hit hard and our neighbors need help more than ever. Please donate a can of vegetables or fruit, box of cereal or pasta, bag of rice or sugar, soap, or toothpaste on your next visit to the library. All Livingston County libraries will have a Gleaners Barrel in their lobby to collect your donation throughout the month of October. A complete list of needs is available at each library and on their websites. On behalf of the many people who are helped by your generosity, Thank You.



Christmas Toy Drive

Borek Jennings Funeral Home, in conjunction with the Marine Corps of Livingston County, and your local library is holding their annual **Toys for Tots** toy drive. Any new, unwrapped toys are welcome. Collection begins after Thanksgiving. Donations can be dropped off in the boxes in the lobby of the library.

Your generosity will make a big difference in the lives of many Livingston County children.





Genie's Book Club



Join your friends and neighbors for coffee and lively, informal, adult book discussions. No registration fee. We meet at 1:00 every first Wednesday of the month, with additional meetings scheduled for film showings when applicable. Anyone may join the group at any time.

Come to Hamburg Library to pick up a copy of the following titles before the listed discussion dates. The library provides information about the authors whose books we discuss.



August 20, 2008 Movie Presentation *Pale Male* (2003)

September 3, 2008 *The Golden Weekend* by Larry Carello (Local author) Fiction: 204 p.

October 1, 2008 *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* by Barbara Kingsolver Nonfiction: 384 p.

November 5, 2008 *Walking Across Egypt* by Clyde Edgerton Fiction: 227 p.



November 19, 2008 Movie Presentation *Walking Across Egypt* (1999)

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It's Free! All you need is a valid Hamburg library card and a home computer with high-speed Internet access. Visit our website: www.hamburglibrary.org and click on **MyLibrary**  at the bottom of the screen.



LET THE ADVENTURE BEGIN @ your library.

Check out a Museum Adventure Pass using your library card. Passes are available on a first-come basis and cannot be reserved, renewed or requested through interlibrary loan. The loan pass is good for 7 days. Two to four people may be admitted on each pass.

See a detailed list of participating museums on our website (www.hamburglibrary.org). Go to the bottom of the screen and click on the red logo or stop in and pickup a list and your pass.

Great Michigan adventures are open to you.

**The library thanks local Girl Scout
Alicia Brown of Hamburg.**

For the past several summers Alicia and her troop have made a project out of beautifying the Library's front garden beds by planting more than 100 petunias. Everyone who comes to the library is greeted with a cheerful "Hello" from the colorful flowers.



Computer Classes

Courses designed to introduce beginners to the basics of everyday computer use. Multiple sections of the same course will be offered to make sure you are able to reserve a space without difficulty. These courses are designed specifically for adults -- no registrants under 18, please. All classes are provided free-of-charge. Registration is required ahead of time. Register by: In-Person Phone: (810) 231 - 1771 E-Mail: hamb@tln.lib.mi.us

MOUSING BASICS:

This course is designed for those completely new to the world of computers. Instruction involves the very basics; from turning the computer on and off, to the simple mouse techniques necessary to work a desktop computer. An introductory mousing tutorial will provide plenty of opportunity for practicing your mousing skills in a low-pressure, low-intimidation environment. Perfect for seniors and absolute beginners!

Offering 1: Monday October 13 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 2: Monday October 27 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 3: Saturday November 8 1:00-3:00pm

YOU'VE GOT E-MAIL:

This course is designed for those with basic knowledge of the Internet, but have little to no experience with e-mail. Instruction is based on Microsoft Hotmail, its general use, basic features, and operation. Lesson includes: sending and receiving messages, files, photos, and even sound bytes! Message management, technical security, personal privacy, and general e-mail etiquette will also be covered.

Participants must know how to use a mouse!

Offering 1: Saturday October 11 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 2: Saturday October 25 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 3: Saturday February 28 1:00-3:00pm

MICROSOFT WINDOWS BASICS:

This course is designed for those with basic computer skills, who would like to get more use out of their Windows operating system. Instruction is taught on a Windows XP platform, but will be general enough to apply to most versions of Windows. Exploration into some of the bells and whistles of Windows will also be covered. Participants must know how to use a mouse!

Offering 1: Saturday November 22 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 2: Saturday December 6 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 3: Saturday March 28 1:00-3:00pm

BASIC INTERNET:

This course is geared for beginners who are comfortable with the basic mechanisms of using a computer, but have little or no experience using the Internet. All instruction is based on Microsoft Internet Explorer, and includes everything you need to know about launching the Internet, navigating it, and keeping track of where you've been. If time permits, the anatomy of a web address and special features of Google will also be covered. Participants must know how to use a mouse!

Offering 1: Monday November 10 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 2: Saturday February 14 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 3: Saturday March 14 1:00-3:00pm

SHOPPING ONLINE:

This course is designed for those who want to take a well-informed approach to shopping via the Internet. Instruction includes basic lessons on information security, safe "store" selection, and shopping resources available on the Web. Students will also learn how to track their purchases, contact customer service personnel, and request store specials and catalogs electronically. (eBay will not be covered in this course.) Participants must have experience using the Internet.

Offering 1: Monday December 8 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 2: Monday February 2 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 3: Monday March 2 6:00-7:30pm

BASIC FILE MANAGEMENT:

This course is designed to help beginners understand the basics of file management in Windows XP. Participants will learn how to create, save and retrieve their files, as well as the various storage mediums available to the average consumer. Applications such as printing and moving files will be touched on briefly. Participants must know how to use a mouse!

Offering 1: Monday November 24 6:00-7:30pm

Offering 2: Saturday January 31 1:00-3:00pm

Offering 3: Monday March 16 6:00-7:30pm

ADULT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS - FALL & WINTER



Registration required for all programs.
Fees must be paid at time of registration (unless otherwise noted). Non-refundable.
Registration begins Tuesday, September 2, 2008.
All programs begin promptly at times indicated. Age requirement: 15 years and up.



Business Savvy Workshop

Thurs., Sept. 4, 6:30pm-7:45pm

No Fee

Do you have a great idea and want to start your own business? You will learn to navigate start-up details such as legal structures of business (LLC, partnership, sole proprietorship), good start-up resources, as well as many other important techniques and strategies. You must be familiar with Internet and e-mail technology. Optional: Purchase your own resource book for \$10 at class.

Forever Young

Tue., Sept. 9, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

Learn the value of healthy lifestyles that can change your attitude and keep you feeling young. Rachel Wulf, M.D., of Hamburg Medical Clinic, will provide an evening of information that will make you feel forever young.

To Do List for Fall Gardening

Wed., Sept. 10, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

English Garden's Kyle Rutkowski will share tips on prepping the garden for the fall/winter season, ideas for bulb planting, preparing plants for winter and other landscape ideas. This program will provide funding for the Library's Dennis Morgan Serenity Garden.

No-Sew Think-Green Tote Bag

Thur., Sept. 11, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

Sue Pack will demonstrate this chic no-sew hobo bag. This is a terrific gift-making project for those who don't like to use plastic and paper bags. After you have registered at the library you can select the fabric from the display case in the lobby. Fee includes all materials and instruction.

Better Health Naturally

Tue., Sept. 16, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

Take responsibility for your own health and well-being by learning about the services offered by qualified practitioner/body-work specialist Gayle Joseph, of Healing Hands in Brighton. Learn how natural alternative methods can be effective, gentle and safe.

Create a Cozy Haven

Thur., Sept. 18, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

Home interior design expert Pat Allegra knows the impact of rising costs and will provide inexpensive and helpful tips for creating a comfortable and pleasing atmosphere for our homes.

Solutions to Mental Health Difficulties

Tue., Sept. 23, 6:30pm-7:45pm **No Registration. No Fee**

Depression affects more than 20 million people in the U.S. according to the National Institute of Mental Health. Treatments for depression, bipolar mood disorder, anxiety disorder and other mental health symptoms and diagnoses will be discussed by Lorne McKenzie, MSW, from Community Mental Health Services of Livingston County which is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

Functional & Tranquil Feng Shui

Thur., Sept. 25, 6:30pm-7:45pm

Fee: \$5.00

Learning the concepts that are applied to achieve tranquility will be offered by Feng Shui specialist Linda Hawthorne. She will concentrate on ideas to enhance the living environments of our spaces in order to gain flow and space.

The Inevitable

Tues. Sept. 30, 6:30pm-7:45pm

No Fee

The funeral industry has been under fire by the media. Bottom line: beware of scams and unsolicited sales pressure. Research is imperative to understand costs and expenditures. David Huber of The Monument Center and Todd Borek of Borek Jennings Funeral Home will provide essential information and answer your questions.

Biography: 20TH Century

Thur., October 2, 9, 16, 23 at 1:00pm-3:00pm No Fee
David and Constance Cylkowski will reveal intriguing bits and movie clips about Gary Cooper, Ann Sullivan & Helen Keller, and Audrey Hepburn.

Glass Etching, Quick & Easy

Sat, Oct. 4, 10:00am-11:00am Fee: \$10.00
Donna Roskamp will teach a fun approach to glass etching that will inspire you to make fine pieces to use for serving or display. You can choose a glass ornament or vase for your etching. Fee covers materials and instructions. Both items will be in the display case in the library foyer.

Mystery Shopping Workshop

Thur., Oct. 9, 1:00pm-3:00pm No Fee
Would you like to earn money while shopping and receive free merchandise just for reporting your impressions as a consumer? Attend this class to learn what mystery shopping is and how to become a mystery shopper, who is hiring and what companies expect from you. You must be familiar with Internet and e-mail technology. Optional: You may purchase your own resource book for \$10 at class.

Work @ Home

Thur., Oct. 9, 6:30pm -7:45pm No Fee
Fight high fuel costs by working from home. Learn about job opportunities, tools and skills required, taxes, scams, and legitimate companies to help you get started. You must be familiar with Internet and e-mail technology. Optional: You may purchase your own resource book for \$10.00 at class.

Local Author Visit

A Golden Weekend

by Local Author Larry Carello from
Hamburg

Thur., Oct. 16, 6:30pm-7:45pm No Registration. No Fee
Having a military background and now working as a commercial airline pilot are unlikely careers for someone who has created this fun-to-read novel. He will share the techniques required to write a well-written novel and how he has intricately developed the description of the characters and lake living. This book is enjoyable for teenagers as well as adults.

Great Decisions Discussion Program

Mon, Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3 & 10, 1:30pm-3pm No Fee
Again, because of popular demand, the library is offering this grass-roots world affairs education program. Join this enthusiastic group in stimulating discussions facilitated by Eric Hammar. Discussion book and videos are used to engage participants in learning about current events. Optional: purchase your own discussion book for \$15.00.

Holiday Centerpiece

Wed., Dec. 3, 6:30pm-7:45pm Fee: \$10.00
Whitmore Lake Florist centerpiece class has become a tradition at the Library. Owner Kathy Haughton will provide instruction and materials for this festive centerpiece creation. Evergreen and container will be provided. Additional adornments will be available for purchase.

What's Cooking

Apples: Every Shape, Size, and Color

Tue., Oct. 7, 6:30pm-7:45pm
Fee: \$5.00

Mmm mmm. Taste apples and cider fresh from the orchard. Apple orchard expert Jeff Markillie from Markillie Orchards in Howell will explain which varieties to use in pies, lunch-boxes, and salads. He will share recipes and tips about America's favorite fruit.



Cooking with 5 Ingredients or Less

Tue., Oct. 14, 6:30pm-7:45pm
Fee: \$5.00

Preparing a dish with few ingredients is essential for our busy lifestyles. Let Chef Polly Brown of Schoolcraft College show you how it's done. You will get to savor the flavor of Chef Polly's tempting and down-to-earth menu selections at class.

A-maize-ing Popcorn

Tue., Oct. 21, 6:30pm-7:45pm
Fee: \$5.00

Join Chad Jordan from Cravings Gourmet Popcorn of Lansing as he offers instruction on popping techniques and interesting facts of this fabulous food that we all enjoy.

Shabby Chic Treat Dish

Tue., Oct. 28, 6:30pm-7:45pm
Fee: \$8.00

Roll up your sleeves with Holly and Marilyn as they show you how to make this lovely serving piece for your holiday table. You will be filling it with sweet treats made in a semi-homemade fashion the same evening. Fee covers all materials and instruction.

Favorite Recipes

Library cookbooks are available at the front desk. They make great gifts at \$5 each.



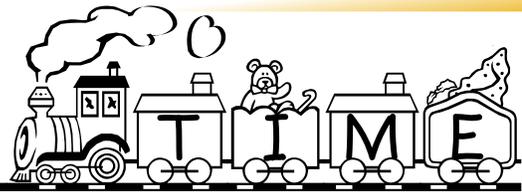
Lapsit

Tuesdays @ 10am
Sept. 16th to Oct. 28th
Restarts Jan. 13, 2009

Ages 18 to 36 months

Listen to stories, sing songs, and learn fingerplays from the comfort of the parent/guardians' lap. One child per parent please.

Pre-registration required.
No fee.



Storyhour

Wednesday & Thursday @ 10am
Sept. 17th to Dec. 18th
Restarts Jan. 14, 2009

Ages 3 to 5 years

Children enjoy 30 minutes of story-telling followed by a theme related craft. Parents are expected to stay with their children and assist with the craft.

Pre-registration required.
No fee.

Snuggle Stories

Thursdays @ 7pm
Sept. 18th to Dec. 18th

All ages welcome

Bring the entire family, along with your favorite blanket or stuffed animal and enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays.

No Registration Required.

FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS SEPT. 2

WINTER REGISTRATION BEGINS DEC. 26

Help Us Redecorate!

AGES 17 AND UNDER

Show us your artistic side! We need some new decor in the Juvenile area and we'd like to have the kids of Hamburg draw us some pictures. Come to the library during the month of October to pick up your paper and your guidelines. Your pictures will be on display, so make sure to do your best.

TEENS...

Create a Softy Friend

Glove Animal
Wed., January 21 @ 6:30pm

Ages 10 to 16

Come make a lovable, huggable, stuffed friend at the library. Materials provided to make one adorable dog. Free of charge but registration is required.



HAMBURG TOWNSHIP LIBRARY PRESENTS



A DASTARDLY DECADENT HALLOWEEN PARTY

FRIDAY: 10/24/08
7:00PM

PRE-REGISTRATION
REQUIRED

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GAMES
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Santa Claus

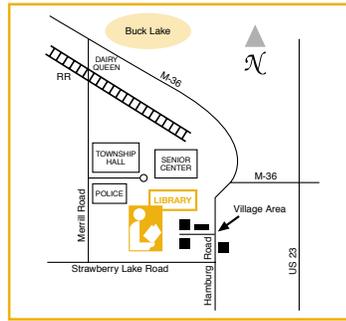
will make his annual stop in early December.

Make sure to call or check the website in
November for the date and time.

Don't forget to have your
Christmas lists ready!

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Labor Day - Monday, Sept. 1
Thanksgiving - Thur. & Friday, Nov. 27 & 28
Christmas - Wed. & Thur., Dec. 24 & 25
New Years - Wed. & Thur., Dec. 31 & Jan. 1
MLK Day - Monday, Jan. 19

The Beautification Committee of the Library is focused on the preservation of the Dennis Morgan Serenity Garden and all the surrounding gardens to create a tranquil area for the library community to enjoy. The committee meets the second Thursday of each month. Please call if you are interested in participating in gardening discussions to further the development of the library gardens, educational seminars, or just a place for hands on gardening. All novice and master gardeners welcome. If you are interested in sponsoring an educational program for \$250 please call for more details or visit our website.

Legacy Funds to Hamburg Township Library - will support and foster lifelong learning through literacy programs, educational seminars, cultural enrichment programs, workshops and collection materials for all the public who use the library facility today and into the future. Making a cash contribution ensures the future development of all library services. Donations may be general, memorial donation for a loved one, friend or in honor of a special event in your life. Donations toward a public library may count for a Michigan and Federal tax credit. Always check with your tax advisor first.

See our website for more details: www.hamburglibrary.org

Library Collection Materials

- Books on special interest areas
- Audio books
- DVDs; how to, self-help, science, history & nature
- Fiction & Non-fiction for children, youth & adults
- Technology devices & equipment

Serenity Gardens Contributions

- Donations In Memory or In Honor of a loved one or friend
- Donate your time
- Plant purchases and garden bed maintenance in all the gardens
- Donate or Sponsor an educational program

Legacy Fund Contributions

Annual support recognition group pledges:

- Donor Patron \$100 to \$399
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 - Partner \$3,000 to \$4,999
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- Gifts over \$100 can be billed quarterly.