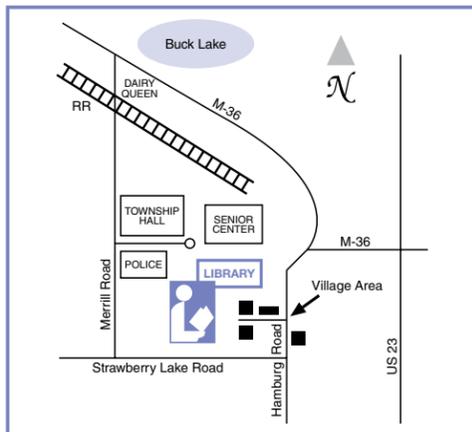


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	<i>Hamburg Township Library</i>	
43 years of growth with the community		
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CHECK OUT OUR DEALS

With rising gas prices and grocery bills, the one place that remains low-cost is the library. Visit us and take advantage of the many free (or very affordable) services we offer.

Free Services

- MyLibraryDVD - movies on line.
- MAP - Museum Adventure Passes.
- MeLCat – state wide inter-library loan service.
- Computer services: Computer Classes, Internet ports, public computers, wireless internet, public scanner.
- Die-cut machine, over 100 dies, bring your own paper.
- Magazines & Newspapers.
- Local history & genealogy resources.
- Adult book club & children’s story times.
- DVDs, music CDs, audio books, reference materials, how-to books.
- Quiet study rooms.
- Community meeting rooms for group meetings, programs and presentations. See website for more details & reservation information. Free for patrons and non-profits.
- Visit the library’s website to: keep up with current activities, reserve & renew materials, access useful resources, participate in programs, etc.

Nominal Fees

- Copying & printing: 10¢ b/w, 15¢ color.
- Lamination, \$1.00 per foot.
- Adult educational enrichment & children’s programs throughout the year. Free or nominal fee.

We are pleased to announce...

We are now a member of MeLCat, the statewide catalog and interlibrary loan service. MeLCat offers library patrons simple and convenient Web-based access to a single, collective catalog of participating libraries’ holdings.



MeLCat allows library patrons to request materials from a comprehensive catalog that includes the holdings of libraries around the state. Items will be delivered to the library, usually within five business days. MeLCat is available from home, work, school, and the library at <http://mel.org>. MeLCat provides access to millions of items, including books, music, and movies from public libraries, academic libraries, K-12 libraries and the Library of Michigan. The bibliographic database has nearly 6 million titles. New libraries continue to be added throughout the year.

MeLCat makes it possible for library patrons to reach far beyond the walls of this library to a growing world of remarkable information resources. Simply click on the MeLCat icon and enter your search term (author, title, subject, etc.). When the item you are searching for appears, click on the “get this for me” button. You’ll be asked to enter your home library (Hamburg Township Library), your name, and your library card number. We will call you as soon as your item arrives at the library.

- Please remember:
- Children cannot request items through MeLCat. A parent must request for the child.
 - Because these are interloan items, they cannot be renewed. Don’t worry, you still have the regular 3 week check-out period.
 - There is still a 10 item per library card limit.
 - MeLCat items returned late have the same overdue fines as regular library items.
 - Requests cannot be made for items owned by the Hamburg Library.

If you have any questions or need help, please call the library at 810-231-1771.

Changes @ the Library

To better serve library patrons, we have rearranged some of the books in the adult area:

- The Large Print books are now closer to the front desk area, between the reference books and the new books.
- The Literacy collection is now located at the end of the adult fiction section.
- The Biographies have moved into the former large print & literacy area.

These changes have created more room for new items and allowed the more popular collections to be more visible and easier to access.

 Congratulations to Piper Brady
For winning the 2008 Summer Reading Extravaganza: the showcase full of candy (and two toothbrushes).
Watch for the next newsletter for Summer Reading 2009 activities.




Book Sale

Sat. Apr. 19 @ 9:00am-2:00pm
The Library will accept donations starting Wednesday, April 1.

Hardcovers & AV - \$1 each,
Paperbacks 25¢ each,
or fill your own grocery bag for \$2.

Library will be closed on the following days in 2009:

Monday, January 19 - MLK
Friday, Feb. 13 In-service day
Monday, Feb. 16 - Presidents’ Day
Monday May 25 - Memorial Day

ADULT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS - Registration required for all programs. Fees must be paid at time of registration (unless otherwise noted). Registration begins Monday, Feb. 2, 2009. Age requirement: 15 years and up. All programs begin promptly at times indicated. Call 810-231-1771 for further information and registration.



**Cabin Fever Week
February 16 - 21, 2009**

Cozy Night Knit and Crochet

Thursdays Feb. 19 to May 21
@ 6:30pm - 7:45pm. No fee.

Come to the library with your knitting needles or crochet hooks, your own yarn and patterns, and a desire for learning tips from fellow yarn enthusiasts. This is a great opportunity to create beautiful projects at your own skill level. Genie Bowman and Ada Hamilton will assist. No registration required.

It's All About Me

Saturday, Feb. 21 @ 10:00am - 1:00pm. No fee. Indulge yourself in this special day of beauty tips, home interior ideas, fashion consultations, food and craft. This is your chance to experience special treatment from experts in our area: Pat Allegra's Stylish Solutions home décor, Elizabeth Lorge of Chico's, hair stylist Diane Prokopp, Reneé Chadowski of Pampered Chef, Shelly Jezowski of Livingston Massage, Shelly Asselin of The Vitamin Co. in Brighton, Hartland's Tyme Well Spent Tea Room, Elder-Beerman facial and cosmetics specialists and Elder-Beerman bridal consultant. **Registration required.**

Home Staging Secrets

Tues., Mar. 24 @ 6:30pm-7:45pm. No fee. Home Interior specialist Trish Hibberd will explain the importance of staging, a technique used to give your home the "wow" factor while listed on the market or for your own enjoyment. This class will provide you with tips and motivation in staging your home. **Registration required.**

Alexander Technique

Tues., Mar. 31 @ 6:30pm-7:45pm. No fee. Learn the healing art that frees yourself from aches and pains while improving your life performance. Join Aida McGugan, certified in AmSAT, as she introduces these skills in a participatory demonstration. Wear comfortable clothing. **Registration required.**



Genie's Book Club Join your friends and neighbors for coffee and lively, informal, adult book discussions. No registration or fee. Meeting the first Wednesday of the month @ 1:00pm.

- February 4, 2009 **Candy Freak** by Steve Almond Non-fiction; 256 p, 2004
- March 4, 2009 **Friday Night Knitting Club** by Kate Jacobs Fiction; 372 p, 2007
- April 1, 2009 **Loving Frank** by Nancy Horan Fiction; 373 p, 2007
- May 6, 2009 **Whistling in the Dark** by Lesley Kagen Fiction; 297 p, 2007

Get bugged @ the library
Here's the "buzz" on the Mid-Winter Party

Elementary age children.
Free, registration required.
Saturday, Feb. 28, 2009 @ 1:00pm.

Arts & Scraps will be here to talk about insects and show children how to make a fun bug of their own creation. A visit to the Scrap Mobile is sure to enhance each child's imagination and creativity.
Continue the fun by making insect cookies and other buggy refreshments.



Children Story Time
Pre-registration required. No fee.
LAPSIT: January 13 to March 3 Tuesdays @ 10am. Listen to stories, sing songs and learn fingerplays from the comfort of the parent/guardians' lap. One child per parent.
STORYHOUR: January 14 to April 30 Wednesday & Thursday @ 10am. 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.
SNUGGLE STORIES: January 15 to April 30 Thursdays @ 7pm. Bring the entire family, along with your favorite blanket or stuffed animal and enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays



Create a Softy Friend
Wed. January 21 @ 6:30pm
Glove Animal
Come make a lovable, huggable, stuffed friend at the library. Materials are provided to make one adorable dog.
Teens - Ages 10 to 16
Free, but registration is required.

Beautification Committee
Will be resuming scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm on Feb. 12, Mar. 12, April 9, & May 14. Open to all who are interested in gardening and helping to maintain the Serenity Garden and other planting beds around the Library.
Thank you to the committee members for decorating the Winter Wonderland of lights in the Serenity Garden and fall cleanup. Thank you to all who made a generous donation of lights, ribbon, and working hands.
Sponsorship Invitation
Looking for sponsors for gardening programs this year and next. A sponsorship of \$100 and up will assist in obtaining guest speakers, publishing handouts, and door prizes. In return, your company or yourself will be listed in our summer newsletter "thank you list"; which is sent to over 7,100 homes within Hamburg Township. Call Christine Weber, Financial Controller on Tue., Thu., and Fri. if you have any questions.



Stamp-a-Card

Tues., Apr. 14 @ 6:30pm-7:45pm No fee. Craft a card with Stacey Richardson from Stamp Image Studio. Stacie will provide unique stamps designed by her that will give your card an exclusive style. You will take home one card. Materials will be provided.

Glorious Coleus

Wed., Apr. 15 @ 6:30pm-7:45pm. No fee. Meier Flowerland and Greenhouse of Brighton will discuss the many varieties of this diverse and valuable plant. Learn why so many of us are enthusiastic about this all-time favorite garden beauty.



"The Final Season: Fathers, Sons, and One Last Season in a Classic American Ballpark"
A Michigan true story of special times in Detroit's Tiger Stadium.

The Final Season:
Fathers, Sons, and One Last Season in a Classic American Ballpark

Non-Fiction
by Tom Stanton

and
All the Stars Came Out That Night

Fiction
by Kevin King

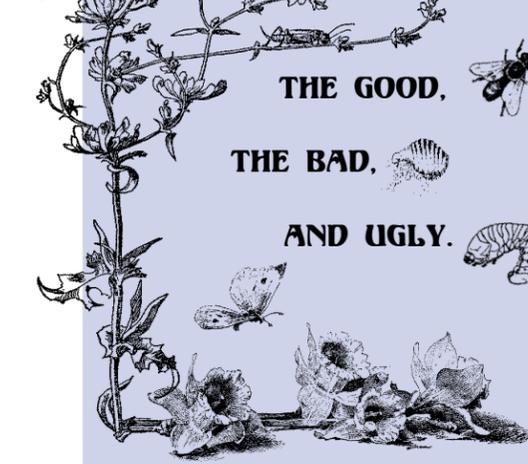
Book Discussion Night
Thursday, March 26th
@ 6:30pm - 7:45pm

Join us for a lively book discussion about this Michigan story of baseball. Refreshments will be served. No Fee.



Visit with the Author:
Tom Stanton
Thursday, April 16th
@ 6:30pm - 7:45pm
No Fee.

INSECTS YOU NEED TO KNOW Tuesday, April 21, 2009 @ 6:30pm. NO FEE. Registration Required.



Gretchen Voyle, Horticulture Educator from the Livingston County Extension Office, will speak on the emerging spring bugs that are beneficial to our gardens and environment. Information will be presented on how to respect the Good and how to handle the Bad & Ugly that visit our yards and gardens every year. Program is for adults or teenagers interested in gardening.

The Beautification Committee will hold a drawing following the program. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6. The money raised supports the Serenity Garden and beds around the Library. Winners will take home a nice gardening gift that evening.