

45 years of growth with the community

# Hamburg Township Library

Newsletter for community residents and neighborhood friends.

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February - March - April 2011

## Your Invitation

to the Library's decadent  
Fundraising Event  
Saturday, April 16, 2011  
6:30pm to 9:00pm



## Bids, Bubbles and Bonbons

Celebrate **Spring** with a delectable night at the library. Attend a silent auction of local artwork and gift items while feasting on chocolate treats **Made in Michigan** - all accompanied by the soothing sounds of local musicians. Your ticket donation will go to furthering educational programs and maintaining the Library's Memorial Gardens.



**🎵 Musical Enjoyment** - A Celtic Harp will be welcoming guests at 6:30pm; then throughout the evening local musicians will be entertaining you while you enjoy the silent auction, chocolate tasting and bubbly refreshments.

**Silent Auction** - Some of the donations from local artisans are Michigan photographic landscapes, hand made pottery, a trillium glass pendant, additional jewelry, stained glasswork, and other artful items. There will be something for everyone's taste.

**Chocolate Tasting** - This is the night for tasting delicious chocolate and sweet treats from local Michigan chocolatiers and confectioners.

**Bubbles** - Michigan made non-alcoholic beverages like Sparkling Cider, Pierre water, coffee and tea.

TICKETS GO ON SALE: MARCH 1, 2011

Price per ticket: \$25.00 pre-event at the library circulation desk.

Purchase at door night of event: \$35.00

(Note: All ticket sales are final. State of Michigan law may provide for tax benefits made for charitable contributions to a *public library*. Check with your tax advisor.)



# Electronic Resources



MeL Databases allow you instant access to full-text articles from tens of thousands of magazines and newspapers. Databases are available for kids, adults, and on specialized topics such as car repair, practice tests and art images. Unlimited information is at your fingertips, whether you're at the library or in your home office. Just visit [www.mel.org](http://www.mel.org) and follow the link for Databases.

## MeL Databases Spotlight Cars, Ancestors, and Homework Help for 'Tweens

*ChiltonLibrary.com*

Recommended for: General user. Full Text. Represents the most authoritative automotive automotive repair information available to car owners. There are thousands of year, make, and model combinations covering the most popular vehicles of the past 30 years, plus additional coverage of specialty models.

*HeritageQuest Online*

Recommended for: Genealogy, local history and biography researchers. Includes all of the images and extensive indexing from the 1790-1930 U.S. federal censuses. Offers more than 22,000 digitized book titles, including early family histories and local histories. Additionally, there are more than 250 primary-source documents such as tax lists, city directories, probate records and more. It also includes Periodical Source Index (PERSI), Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, the Freedman's Bank Records, and the U.S. Serial Set Private Relief Actions, Memorials and Petitions.

*Info Trac Junior Edition*

Recommended for: Middle and Junior High School. Full text. Over 330 titles, cross searchable with E-Books, this database is designed for students in junior high and middle school with access to a variety of indexed and full-text magazines, newspapers and reference books for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, health, people, government, history, sports and more.

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## MeL @ the Library

Stop in to find out what databases are available and how to order items through MeL Cat, the state-wide inter-library loan system. You can access MeL at the library's computers. Any staff member at the front service desk will be happy to help you learn all that MeL has to offer.

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## How To Find Us Online

**Website:** [www.hamburglibrary.org](http://www.hamburglibrary.org) Visit the website to register for classes and events, use the online catalog to search for materials, renew your materials, and put material on hold, find links to helpful resources such as job searching and recession resources.



**Facebook:** The Library is now on Facebook. Search Hamburg Township Library and become a fan to get event information, library updates and news when you want it.

**Email lists:** From the library's website, you can sign up for four different email lists: general library news, newsletter (sent three times a year), program updates (sent monthly), new material at the library (sent monthly).

# Other Events & Happenings

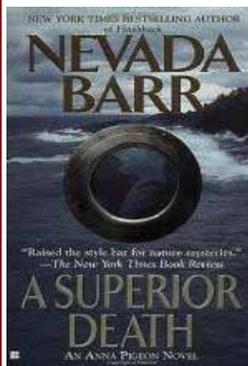
## Genie's Book Club—Spring Selections

Join in the fun with your friends and neighbors for lively, informal, adult book discussions. There is no registration required or fees. Anyone may join the group at any time. The book club meets at 1:00pm every first Wednesday of the month, additional meetings may be scheduled for film showings when applicable. Come to the Library to pick up a copy of the following titles before the scheduled discussion dates. The Library provides information about the authors whose books we discuss.

February 2	Fiction
<i>A Superior Death</i> by Nevada Barr.	
This is the 2011 Livingston Reads selection.	
March 2	Non-Fiction
<i>Horse Soldiers</i> by Doug Stanton.	
April 6	Fiction
<i>Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie</i> by Alan Bradley.	

## Livingston Reads!

### *A Superior Death* by Nevada Barr



Below the frigid waters of Lake Superior lies a sunken 1927 wreck—the final resting place of its five victims. But when divers surface with a tale of seeing a sixth body, Anna Pigeon must break the Great Lake's grip on its icy secrets. *Description is from back cover.*

Join the entire county in reading *A Superior Death* by Nevada Barr.

All six public libraries will be holding events in conjunction with this book.

Get complete information at [www.livingstonreads.com](http://www.livingstonreads.com).

## EVENTS

*Pre-register for all programs beginning January 3, 2011.*

### Howell Nature Center

Thursday, Mar. 10 @ 6:30 to 7:45pm. No fee.

Dick Grant introduces us to a variety of activities at the Howell Nature Center, including Global Village, a wildlife infirmary, and miles of hiking trails.

### Book Discussion with Genie

Thursday, Mar. 17 @ 6:00pm. No fee.

Join in on the discussion of this year's book and enjoy some tasty Michigan-themed treats prepared by the library staff.

### Cooking with Michigan Food

Tuesday, Mar. 29 @ 6:30 to 7:45pm. Fee \$5.

Renee Chodkowski will demonstrate tasty recipes made from Michigan food and food products. Renee always provides plenty of good, home-cooked treats and practical cooking tips.

### Zingerman's Tour de Food

Thursday, Mar. 24 @ 6:30 to 7:45pm. No fee.

Pete Sickman-Garner from Zingerman's will take us on a Tour de Food through one of America's leading specialty food companies. We'll get the details on how a real tour through the Zingerman's businesses in Ann Arbor is not only full-flavored and highly educational, but also a fun day of tasting and learning.

Registration required for all programs. Fees must be paid at time of registration unless otherwise noted. Class fees promptly at times indicated. Call 810-231-1771 for further information and registration. Programs with fees must

## Enrichment Series

*Pre-register for all programs.*

### Small Business Round Table

Thursdays, Feb. 10, 17, 24

**6:30pm - 7:45pm. No Fee.**

Local business owners will share information on creating and starting up a small business. They will provide valuable information gathered from their experiences in establishing their businesses.

### Knit to Fit

Saturday, Feb. 26

**10:00am -11:30am. Fee \$15.**

This class will teach you which sweater styles will work with your shape and how to measure for a good fit. Jillian Moreno, author and knitting expert, will provide instruction and guide you through the process of selecting the look that will work for you. Please bring a tape measure and pictures of sweaters you would like to knit.

### Raising Backyard Chickens

Tuesday, Mar. 8

**6:30pm - 7:45pm. No Fee.**

Local farmer John Adelman of Portage River Farm in Pinckney will offer tips and share his knowledge of chickens and the care that is required in hatching, feeding and housing. John will also explain the shared farming concept; a wonderful way to eat healthy and support local farming.

### Bluebirds

Tuesday, Mar. 22

**6:30pm - 7:45pm. No Fee.**

Joyce Schulke, naturalist and owner of the Wilderrest Store in Brighton. She will be showing her slide presentation on bluebird habitat. Joyce will explain and discuss how to create a friendly environment for the bluebirds.



## National Library Week

*Pre-register for all programs.*

### Antiques from 1845 to 1945

Tuesday, April 12

**6:30pm -7:45pm. No fee.**

Expert Sherry Spehar will bring examples of photography, needlework, pottery and furniture. She will describe historical events that caused these items to change from rural handmade to urban machine made. How inventions, immigrations and war were major catalysts for these changes. This is not an appraisal program. Please do not bring antiques.

### Vantage Point The Great Lakes Maritime Center

Wednesday, April 13

**6:30pm - 7:45pm.**

**No Fee.**



Peter Werle will present a variety of opportunities to learn about the history and current events of the Great Lakes at The Great Lakes Maritime Center. GLMC is at the junction of the Black and St. Clair Rivers. *GLMC will accept donations payable to GLMC the night of program.*

### Knife Skills Thursday, April 14

**6:30pm - 7:45pm. Fee \$5.**

At this class Renee Chodkowski will teach you to hold knives correctly, knife safety, learn which knife to use for different cutting tasks, and learn several cutting techniques. She will also make a few tasty treats to sample!

# Programs

are non-refundable. Registration begins January 3, 2011 Age requirement: 15 years and up. All programs begin to register in person at the circulation desk. Non-fee programs can be register online at [www.hamburglibrary.org](http://www.hamburglibrary.org).



## Lunch & Learn Series

*Pre-register for all programs.*

### Twenty Years of Theatre: A History of the Purple Rose

**Thursday, Feb. 3 @ 11:00am-1:00pm. No Fee.**

Alan Ribant has been the managing director of the Purple Rose Theatre Company since its inception in 1991. At this Lunch & Learn, Alan will recount stories from the early days of the theatre company, from the conversion of an old bus garage into a performance space and the first productions at the theatre, through major renovations in 1999 to the current 20th anniversary season. A question and answer period will be included.

### Iris Paper Folding 201

**Thursday, March 3, 11:00am-1:00pm.**

**Fee \$5**

David Larwa will teach three new paper folding patterns. You will leave with three greeting cards. Bring your own scissors. No experience necessary.

### Art in Bloom

**Thursday, April 7, 11:00am-1:00pm.**

**Fee \$6.**

Tracey Flanigan of Art in Bloom gallery in Brighton will teach basic floral arrangement. Tracey will share her flair for floral composition, along with special tips on displaying your favorite vases. You must supply your own container, about 6 inches diameter.

## Personal Fitness Series

*Pre-register for all programs.*

Personal Fitness Series fees are payable to the instructor at first class session.  
(Not payable to Library.)

### Beginning Yoga

Tuesdays, February 1 to March 8, 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

Fee \$40

Gentle yoga, offered by Michelle Place is intended for every size, shape and physical ability. You will strengthen muscles and increase your level of balance and flexibility. Bring a mat.

### Cardio Kick & Tone

Thursdays, February 3 to March 17, 9:30am - 10:30am.

Fee \$50.

Beginners to Advanced. This is an intense cardio workout class. Instructor Angie Ficaro will provide a workout with simple basic moves focusing on the whole body. Bring a mat or towel and hand weights.

### Pilates

Mondays, February 7 to April 4, 6:30 - 7:30pm.

Fee \$64.

Introduction to Pilates taught by Gwyn Jones. Pilates maintains flexibility and conditioning and is a refreshing mind-body workout. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

### Weight Loss Challenge

Mondays, February 7 to May 9, 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

Wednesdays, February 9 to May 11, Noon -1:00pm.

Fee \$35.

Lose weight with a team that provides support and counseling on nutrition, food label information, dining out sensibly and many more topics.

Check out [www.wlc101.net](http://www.wlc101.net) for more details.

# DARRIN BREGE AND KAREN BELL-BREGE

Darrin Brege, illustrator for the Mick Morris and Ghost Board Posse books as well as the original Michigan and American Chiller covers.

## VISIT THE LIBRARY

Karen Bell-Brege, author of the Mick Morris and Ghost Board Posse series as well as several other books.

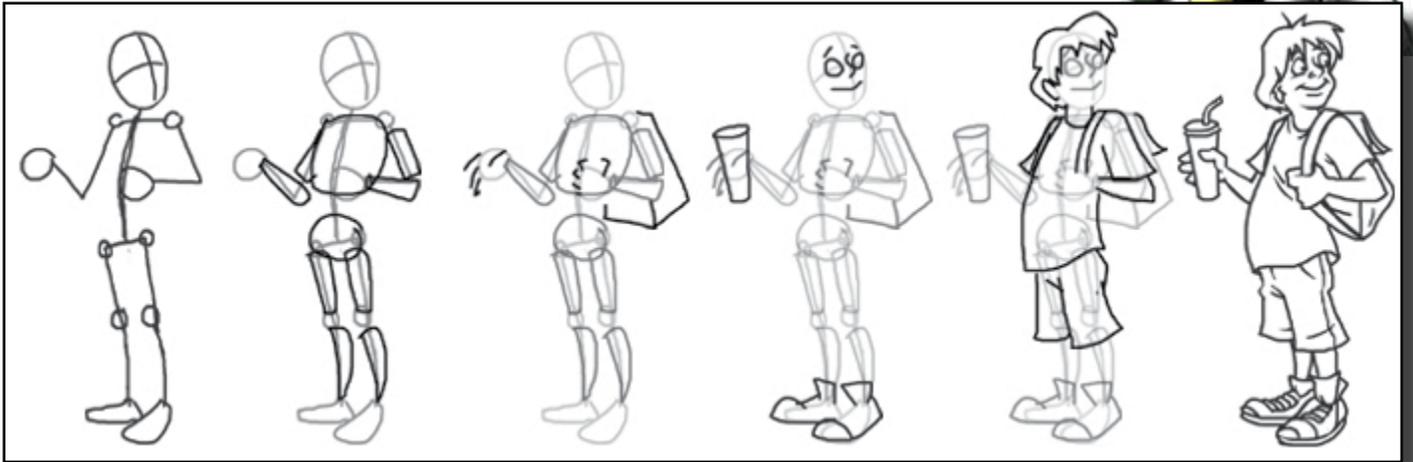
Character drawing made easy ... Popular characters come to life!

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Why reading is important and how to become a writer!

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**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
**AGES 6 -17, FREE**

[WWW.MICKMORRIS.COM](http://WWW.MICKMORRIS.COM)



## Teen Knitting Group

on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

@ 3:30 to 4:30pm

Appropriate for ages 10-18

Knitting instructions with Genie. Learning materials will be supplied. She will instruct cast on and knit & purl stitches. If you are currently working on a project, bring the instructions and necessary supplies.

All knitting levels are welcome.

Drop-in participation.



# PEEPS DIORAMA

NOW YOU CAN DO MORE WITH YOUR PEEPS  
THAN JUST EAT 'EM

1. All Ages Welcome!
2. Think of a scene. Make your diorama using a shoebox or comparable item of reasonable size and keep it clean.
3. Return your finished diorama between **April 1 to 9**.
4. Dioramas will be voted on by patrons from **April 11 to 23**.
5. The top 3 voted dioramas will receive prizes.
6. The one rule is that all the characters in the diorama **MUST** be played by Peeps (any type of Peep will do).
7. Looking for inspiration? Google 'Peep Diorama'



## Story Time

Registration begins January 3, 2011

### Lapsit

Tuesdays @ 10am  
Begins January 11  
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.

### Storyhour

Wednesdays & Thursdays @ 10am  
Beginning January 12  
Ages 3 to 5 years

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

## Double-Feature Saturdays

all movies are rated PG or PG13

Bring your family, bring your blanket,  
bring your lunch.

### February 19:

12pm: Twilight  
2:15pm: New Moon

### March 19:

12pm: Harry and the Hendersons  
2:15pm: Honey, I shrunk the kids

### April 30:

12pm: Parent Trap (1961)  
2:30pm: That Darn Cat! (1965)

### May 28:

12pm: Dennis the Menace (1993)  
1:45pm: Leave it to Beaver (1997)

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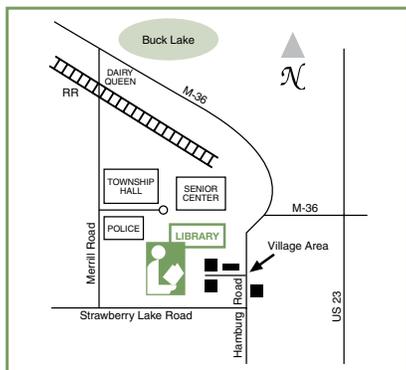
Hours

M-Th 9am - 8pm  
Friday Noon - 6pm  
Saturday 9am - 5pm

### Library Closings 2011

January 17 - MLK Day  
February 21 - President's Day  
May 30 - Memorial Day

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Please remember...



Please bring in your **VG's** receipts to the library whenever you stop in. **VG's** Grocery stores in Brighton and Howell will donate a portion of each purchase made. The Library will submit the receipts and put the donation money towards book purchases. This promotion continues throughout the year, so keep dropping off your receipts at the circulation desk.

## BOOK SALE

Sat., April 2, 9:00am-2:00pm.



Donations of gently used books in good, clean condition will be accepted beginning Mon., March 21, through Thur., March 31. Items that cannot be accepted for the sale are: encyclopedias, textbooks, Readers' Digest Condensed books, and magazines. Paperbacks will sell for 25¢, hard covers & AV will sell for \$1 each, and you may fill a grocery bag for \$2 each.