

# Hamburg Township Library

Newsletter for community residents and neighborhood friends.

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Freedom Through Knowledge

Spring 2006

## Business Hours

Monday to Thursday  
9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday  
12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Library Directory

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## Spring into activity with Library Programs



### Livingston Reads!

Last year's county-wide reading program, featuring *Pay It Forward*, was such a success, that the Livingston County libraries have decided to make Livingston Reads! an annual event. This year's book is *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon. The program will run from February 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. You are encouraged to check out a copy of the book from your local public library and discuss it with your family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors. Each library will be hosting events associated with the book. Event listings will be posted throughout the county and on the Livingston Reads! website: [livingstonreads.org](http://livingstonreads.org)

Our programs:

**Thursday, March 16 @ 7:00pm Book Discussion at Stonehouse Coffee Café.**  
(Located at Chilson Commons.) Join your friends and make new ones while having coffee and participating in a lively and informal discussion of this book.



**Tues. Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:45 Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders** **No fee.**  
Dr. Sally Burton-Hoyle, Executive Director of the Autism Society of Michigan will explain ASD, characteristics and some practical strategies. Dr. Burton-Hoyle is a specialist in this field and offers enlightenment and encouragement to families of those with this condition. Registration is suggested but not required.

### New Music Room Means Bigger Selection For Patrons

Big changes are in store for  
the Library's  
music collection!

Plans are underway to transform the under-used Preview Room into a new space completely dedicated to our music CD collection. Come springtime, there will be sufficient space to triple the number of music CDs from 700 to 2100! This means more music and a wider selection for the community.



### National Library Week

MY FRIENDS,  
MY FAMILY  
PHOTO EXHIBIT



Begins Sat., Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> through Sat. Apr. 15<sup>th</sup>

Amateur photographers from the surrounding area are invited to display their photos of friends and/or family. Pick up an entry form and detailed information at the Library.

Participants must submit photos and signed Exhibitor Agreement Contract by Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Photos must be picked up no later than Tues., Apr. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Registration for programs is required. Minimum age is 15 years old for Adult Programs. Fee paid at class time.**

For more information and registration call 810-231-1771, or e-mail at [hamb@tln.lib.mi.us](mailto:hamb@tln.lib.mi.us), or online at [www.hamburglibrary.org](http://www.hamburglibrary.org)  
All programs begin promptly at 6:30pm and end at 7:45pm except where noted. Lobby showcase will have samples of projects.

**ADULT PROGRAMS****Cabin Fever Week – February 7 - 11****Tuesday, Feb. 7 Sell That House No fee.**

This program features Michigan Group Realtor Kevin Prokopp, Curb Appeal Sells representative Doug Murphy, and Clutter Queens organizer Stacey Campbell. They will share their secrets on getting your home prepped and readied for impressive showings. And for those who aren't selling a house? This might be a good time to get some pointers on decluttering and sprucing up your comfy home.



For further information:

*House Smart: A Step By Step Guide to Making the Best Deal in Buying or Selling a Home.* Author: Williams, Bruce H.  
333.33 W1

*Tips and Traps When Selling a Home*

Author: Irwin, Robert  
333.338 Irw

*House Selling for Dummies*

Author: Tyson, Eric  
333.33 Tys

**Wednesday, Feb. 8 Distinctive Cards Fee \$10**

Back by popular demand! Sharon Kluk will give inspiring techniques on creating Valentine and Easter cards. She will also give a lesson on using the Library's Ellison die cut machine. Fee includes all supplies.



For further information:

*Painting Greeting Cards in Watercolor*

Author: Penney, Jacqueline  
751.42 Pen

*The Big Book of Greeting Cards: Over 40 Step-By-Step Projects*

Author: Bolton, Vivienne  
745.54 Bol

*The Big Book of Handmade Cards and Gift Wrap: Over 50 Step-By-Step Projects*

Author: Bolton, Vivienne  
745.54 Bol

**Thursday, Feb. 9 Massage for Wellness No fee.**

We all know massage feels great, now learn why it's beneficial to good health. Chelsea Hospital's JoAnne Randall will demonstrate techniques used in this ancient treatment.



For further information:

*Massage Basics*  
Author: Sechi, Davide  
615.822 Sec

*Massage Basics*  
Author: Kavanagh, Wendy  
615.822 Kav

**Tuesday, Mar. 7 Preventing Identity Theft No fee.**

When should you provide your S.S. #? How do you know an internet scam? Can you protect yourself from fraud? Michigan State Trooper Sura will enlighten us on the detection of false information.



For further information:

*Identity Theft: How to Protect Your Most Valuable Asset*

Author: Hammond, Robert J.  
364.163 Ham

*Identity Theft: How to Protect Your Name, Your Credit and Your Vital Information-- And What to do When Someone Hijacks any of These*

364.163 Ide

*The Identity Theft Protection Guide: Safeguard Your Family, Protect Your Privacy, Recover a Stolen Identity*

Author: Welsh, Amanda  
364.163 Wel

**Tuesday, Mar. 14 Sensible Safety No fee.**

Is pepper spray effective in warding off an aggressor or are there more desirable safeguards we can use? Michigan State Trooper Robinson will offer information on how we need to be aware of our surroundings, using a sensible approach to self-safety. This program will be helpful to all adults, especially high school graduates going off to college.



For further information:

*Standard First Aid and Personal Safety*

614.8 Ame

*Fear Less: Real Truth About Risk, Safety, and Security in a Time of Terrorism*

Author: De Becker, Gavin  
363.32 Deb

**Tuesday, Mar. 28 The Contented Gardener No fee.**

We all strive for the perfect garden. Leppek Nursery's Matt Fuller will give us pointers on low-maintenance gardening with easy-grow flowers. Matt is a graduate of Michigan State landscape and design and is a jack-of-all trades at Leppek's.



For further information:

*Annals for Michigan*

Author: Szerlag, Nancy  
634.93 Sze

*Low-Cost Gardening*

635 Bhg

*All About the Easiest Flowers to Grow*

Author: O'Sullivan, Penelope  
635.9 Osu

On DVD  
How to Video  
*Rebecca's Garden,*  
vol. 1: *Basic*  
*Gardening*  
By  
Kolls, Rebecca



**National Library Week – April 3–8**

**Saturday, Apr. 8 Book Sale 9:30am to 3:00p m.**

Hardcover \$1.00 each, paperbacks \$0.25 each, or fill a grocery bag for \$2.00. If you wish to donate to the book sale, the Library will accept donations beginning March 25.

**Tuesday, Apr. 4 One Person's Junk . . . No fee.**

Learn what you can do to turn such items as old furniture, jewelry, fishing tackle into classy pieces. Donna Melzer from Green's Consignment will show us how to dress up those forgotten attic finds.

For further information:

*Flea Market Makeovers for the Outdoors: Projects & Ideas Using Flea Market Finds & Recycled Bargain Buys*

Author: Berti, B.J.

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*Flea Market Decorating: Creating Style with Vintage Finds*

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*Easy Flea Market Style: Creative Ideas & Fabulous Fix-ups*

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*New Spaces from Salvage: Creating Perfect Interiors from Recovered Architecture*

Author: O'Gorman, Thomas J.

747 Ogo

**Wednesday, Apr. 5 No fee.**

**Wilderness's Attention to the Environment**

Join Joyce Schuelke from Wilderness for discussion and recommendations related to pertinent wildlife and environmental issues, from purple loosestrife to the mourning dove. Joyce can share unbiased insight on these issues. Slide presentation.

For further information:

*Famous First Facts About the Environment*

REF 363.7 Fam

*Ecology: Impacts and Implications*

574.5 Eco

*Encyclopedia of Global Change:*

*Environmental Change and*

*Human Society*

REF 363.7 Enc

*The Future of Life*

Author: Wilson,

Edward Osborne

333.952 Wil



**Thursday, Apr. 6 Bon Appétit Herbs No fee.**

Fine restaurants grow their own, why can't you? Steve Matthews from Heavenly Scent Herb Farm will serve up some tasty herb-laden morsels and explain about many different herbs that you can grow in your garden and serve at your table.

For further information:

*The Whole Herb: For Cooking, Crafts, Gardening, Health, and Other Joys of Life*

Author: Pleasant, Barbara

635.7 Ple

*At Home with Herbs: Inspiring Ideas for Cooking, Crafts, Decorating and Cosmetics*

Author: Newdick, Jane

641.357 New

*Handmade Gifts from a Country Garden*

Author: Martin, Laura C.

745.5 Mar

On DVD  
How to Video  
*Rebecca's Garden,*  
vol. 5:  
*Herb Gardening*  
By  
Kolls, Rebecca



**Newspapers @ the Library**

As part of the new and improved periodicals collection, the Library now carries the following newspapers for everyone to enjoy:

- Ann Arbor News (daily)
- Ann Arbor Observer (monthly)
- Barron's: The Dow Jones Business and Financial Weekly (weekly)
- Business Review Washtenaw & Livingston Counties (weekly)
- Detroit News (daily)
- Lansing State Journal (daily)
- Livingston Community News (weekly)
- Livingston County Daily Press & Argus (daily)
- Metro Times: Detroit's Weekly Alternative (weekly)
- Daily Oakland Press (daily)
- Wall Street Journal (daily)



A complete list of all periodicals can be found on the Library's website: [www.hamburglibrary.org](http://www.hamburglibrary.org)

# Children's Events

## MID-WINTER PARTY

Get Wrapped Up In Reading

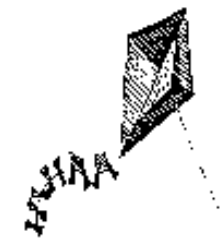
Saturday, Feb. 11 @ 1:00pm



This year's mid-winter party will feature an Egyptian theme for children ages 5 to 11. Children will be led in a variety of Egyptian craft projects; sample Egyptian style treats, and receive a goody bag worthy of any pharaoh.



All little *King Tuts* and *Cleopatras* must pre-register for this free program.



## KITE FLIGHT!

Saturday, May 6, 10:00am

No fee.

Parents, this is a special time to set aside with your children for some good old-fashioned kite fun. Build it, decorate it and take it out to the meadow behind the library and watch your kite soar. Light refreshments will be served. Pre-registration is required.

### Storytimes

No Fee, pre-registration is required. Please contact the Library for further information.

**Storyhour** — Registration begins January 3rd. Storyhour begins the week of January 11 and ends the week of April 27, 2006.

Storyhours are Wednesdays at 10:00am and Thursdays at 10:00am and 1:00pm. Ages 3-5 years old. Children are read several stories on a pre-set theme and led in a related craft along with the parent.

**Lapsit** — Registration begins January 3rd. Lapsit on consecutive Tuesday 10:00am to 10:30am. Begins January 10 and ends February 28. Ages 18-35 months. Children and parents are led in fingerplays, rhymes, books, and related activities.

### Storyhour Themes

Jan. 11 & 12	Getting Dressed for Winter
Jan. 18 & 19	Penguins
Jan. 25 & 26	Dinosaurs
Feb. 1 & 2	Ground Hogs
Feb. 8 & 9	Love
Feb. 15 & 16	Teddy Bear Picnic
Feb. 22 & 23	Pioneer Days/Quilts
Mar. 1 & 2	Teeth
Mar. 8 & 9	Farms
Mar. 15 & 16	Green Day/Irish Day
Mar. 22 & 23	Day and Night
Mar. 29 & 30	Thomas and Friends
Apr. 5 & 6	Libraries
Apr. 12 & 13	Duck, Duck, Goose
Apr. 19 & 20	No Stories . . . Have a Great Spring Break!
Apr. 26 & 27	Spring Shoots and Sprouts



### Computer Classes Begin January 2006!

**Offering six different courses.** Each designed to introduce beginners to the basics of everyday computer use. Because class size is limited to the number of available computer stations, **registration is required** ahead of time. Multiple sessions 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.

You may register for class in the following ways: In person, phone (810) 231-1771, email: hamb@tl.lib.mi.us.

Be sure to specify the course title and session you would like to attend.

#### 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!

Session 1:	Saturday, January 7	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, January 12	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Thursday, April 6	6-7:30pm

#### 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. Everyone will set up their very own Hotmail account, and learn how to send and receive 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!

Session 1:	Saturday, January 21	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, January 26	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Saturday, April 1	1-3pm

#### 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!

Session 1:	Saturday, February 4	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, February 9	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Saturday, April 15	1-3pm

#### 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. 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. Exploration into some of the bells and whistles of Windows will also be covered. Participants must know how to use a mouse!

Session 1:	Saturday, February 18	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, February 23	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Saturday, April 29	1-3pm

#### Tips & Tricks for Library Users:

This course is designed for those who want to become savvy library users. Instruction covers basic use of the Library's automated catalog and the Michigan eLibrary database. Discover all that your Library has to offer -- including thousands of electronic resources available to all Michigan residents! A great opportunity for college students, or those who simply want to find things out for themselves. Participants should have basic computer skills.

Session 1:	Saturday, March 4	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, March 9	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Thursday, April 20	6-7:30pm

#### 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.

Session 1:	Saturday, March 18	1-3pm
Session 2:	Thursday, March 23	6-7:30pm
Session 3:	Thursday, April 27	6-7:30pm



**Genie's Book Club.** Join friends and neighbors for refreshments and lively, informal, adult book discussions. Anyone may join the group at any time. We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at 1 pm. Contact the Library in person, phone, or website for a detailed listing of future titles.

**No registration or fees.**

1/18/06	<i>American Soldier</i> by Tommy Franks
2/01/06	<i>Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time</i> by Mark Haddon
2/15/06	<i>Shadow Divers</i> by Robert Kurson
3/01/06	<i>A Man in Full</i> by Tom Wolfe
3/15/06	<i>Briarpatch</i> by Ross Thomas

### 2006 Holiday Closings:

- January 2nd, New Year's Holiday
- January 16th, Martin Luther King Day
- February 20th, Presidents' Day
- May 29th, Memorial Day

### Remember Book Drop and Renewals

- There is a 24 hour book return by the 5-minute parking area.
- Renewals can be done by phone, email, or in person.

### Federal & State Tax Websites

- ⇒ [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)
- ⇒ [www.michigan.gov/treasury](http://www.michigan.gov/treasury)

### MDOT's Lane Closure Web Site

The Michigan Department of Transportation has a Web site:

[mdotwas1.mdot.state.mi.us/public/LaneClosure](http://mdotwas1.mdot.state.mi.us/public/LaneClosure)

This will help give Michigan residents and visitors advance notice of roadwork and resulting lane closures. You can also access the Lane Closure Web site via the Library's home page, [www.hamburglibrary.org](http://www.hamburglibrary.org)!

