



HAMBURG TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

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Library Hours:

Monday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Wednesday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Thursday: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Friday: Noon - 6:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday: Closed

Library Closing:

Sept. 7: Labor Day
Nov. 11: Veteran's Day
Nov. 26-27: Thanksgiving
Dec. 24-26: Christmas
Dec. 31-Jan. 2: New Year's

Library Board:

Matthew Assenmacher
Jodie Colone
Mary Evergreen
Richelle Hocking
Bridgette Rosek
Crystal Walter

Library board meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at 7pm. The public is welcome:

September 15
October 20
November 17
December 15

Fall 2026

*September -
December*

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

Hamburg Township Library

Program registration begins Wednesday, August 19 @ 9am



hamburglibrary.org

Registration is
required for all
programs and crafts.
Ages 16+ only.

Adult programming

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Wednesday,
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Fungi of Michigan w/Lorenzo Lo Piccolo Thursday, September 10, 6:30pm

Learn about Michigan mushrooms with Lorenzo Lo Piccolo, a NAMI/MDARD-certified mushroom expert. Discover fungi facts, foraging safety and etiquette, mushroom poisoning awareness, and practice identifying mushrooms through a hands-on search activity. *In-person.*

125 Years of Ford Racing Monday, September 14, 6:30pm

Explore the history of Ford Racing during Henry Ford's lifetime in this presentation by Todd Bryan, chairman of the Henry Ford Heritage Association. *In-person.*

The 1805 Great Fire of Detroit Tuesday, September 22, 6:30pm

After the Great Detroit Fire of 1805, Territorial Judge Augustus Woodward created an ambitious plan to rebuild the city. Discover how the Detroit we know today was forged through fire in this presentation by Jeremy Dimick of the Detroit Historical Society. *In-person.*

Woman on the Move: The Forgotten Era of Women's Bicycle Racing Tuesday, October 6, 6:30pm

Discover the remarkable story of women's professional bicycle racing during America's bicycle boom of the 1890s. Learn how these pioneering athletes captivated crowds—including in Detroit—in this presentation by author Roger Gilles. *In-person.*

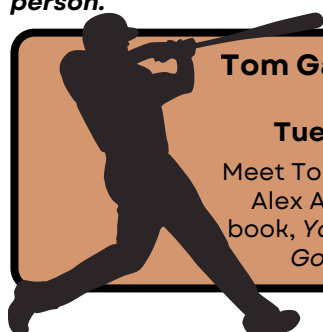
LWV Livingston Election Security Panel Discussion Saturday, October 10, 10:30am

Learn about the many checks and balances that keep our elections secure, from decentralized election processes and strict ballot storage rules to bipartisan procedures for resolving disputes. Bring your questions for this informative discussion on election security. *In-person.*

Voting Questions? Ask the League of Women Voters

Saturday, October 10, 11am – 2pm

Have questions about voting? The League of Women Voters Livingston will explain voter registration, where and when to vote, acceptable voter ID, primary ballots, candidates, ballot proposals, and more. Bring your questions and get ready for the midterm elections! *In-person.*



Tom Gage & Former Detroit Tiger Alex Avila

Tuesday, October 13, 6:30pm

Meet Tom Gage and Former Detroit Tiger Alex Avila as they discuss Tom's new book, *Your Detroit Tigers: The Great, the Good, the Top 400*. *In-person.*

Puzzle Competition Saturday, October 17, 12 – 4pm

Put your puzzle skills to the test! Teams of up to 4 (or individual participants) will race to complete a jigsaw puzzle in this timed competition. Teams will have 3½ hours to finish, and each member of the winning team will receive a gift. *In-person.*

Beer Run: A "Brew Crime" Story from Prohibition-Era Detroit Tuesday, October 20, 6:30pm

In the summer of 2020, the Detroit Police Dive Team recovered a mysterious wooden keg from the Detroit River. Join maritime archaeologist Dan Harrison as he explores the city's Prohibition-era past, when rumrunners, gangsters, lawmen, and socialites made the Roaring Twenties roar along the Detroit River. *Virtual.*

Paranormal Tourism in Michigan Thursday, October 29, 6:30pm

Explore Michigan's year-round paranormal destinations, where history and ghost stories go hand-in-hand. This presentation uncovers the state's darker past and highlights haunted sites, paranormal tourism destinations, and spooky events to visit. *Virtual.*

History of J.L. Hudson Saturday, November 7, 1pm

Learn about the historic J.L. Hudson Department store along with the man who created it all. *In-person.*

Nationally Syndicated Cartoonist Dave Coverly Book Launch Monday, November 9, 6:30pm

Celebrate the launch of nationally syndicated Ann Arbor cartoonist Dave Coverly's newest book, *My Support Dog Ate My Comfort Food*. Hear about the world of cartooning, how to build a successful career in the field, and meet the author. Books will be available for purchase. *In-person.*

Le Griffon and the Huron Islands: 1679 Thursday, November 12, 6:30pm

In 1679, the French ship Le Griffon mysteriously vanished on the Great Lakes. Was it lost in a violent storm or destroyed after its valuable cargo of furs was stolen? Join explorer, researcher, and author Steve Liebert as he shares the enduring mystery and his search for the legendary ship. *Virtual.*

The Toledo War w/Historian Andrew Kercher Thursday, November 19, 6:30pm

The ever-knowledgeable historian Andrew Kercher will join us with tales about the who, what, where, and whys of the Toledo War that took place from 1835 to 1836. *Virtual.*

Great Decisions Mondays, 1:30-3pm, In-Person

September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14

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

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crafts.

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Payment is required within two business days of registration to reserve your spot. Unpaid registrations will be canceled. Pay in person or online at hamburglibrary.org under the Programs section. Ages 16+

Kiss My Glass – Fall Pumpkin

Saturday, September 12, 1pm (FEE: \$5)

Join Kiss My Glass for a fun fused glass workshop! Create a pumpkin nightlight or suncatcher using pre-cut scrap glass—no cutting required. Assemble your mosaic design in class; projects will be kiln-fired and returned in 10–12 days.

Adult Painting Class

Saturday, October 10, 1pm (FEE: \$5)

Join us for a paint party with Canvas by Shelia (local artist Shelia Vertoli). Shelia will provide guided art instructions to transform a blank canvas into a beautiful fall scene.

Tile Glazing Workshop with Pewabic Pottery

Saturday, November 14, 1pm (FEE: \$25)

Pewabic Pottery will bring pre-fired (bisque) tiles with three design options to choose from. After selecting a design, participants will be instructed on how to bulb-glaze their tile – the same technique that Pewabic Pottery uses for their giftware tiles. Limited space available for this event.



Spice Club: Cookbooks!

1-2pm, Virtual

Participants will choose recipes from the book of the month that they find interesting. The library will order cookbooks through the MeLcat system once you register.

For December, we will be asking for your tastiest recipes, either personal favorites or long-standing family heirlooms. Recipes need to be turned in by October 31.

We will meet virtually on the 4th Tuesday to discuss the pros and cons of the recipes, share cooking tips, and exchange ideas.

September:

The Homemade Pantry: 101 Foods You Can Stop Buying & Start Making by Alana Chernila

October:

The Tucci Table by Stanley Tucci

November:

Half Baked Harvest: Quick & Cozy by Tieghan Gerard

December:

We will build our own cookbook with Spice Club participants favorite family recipes.

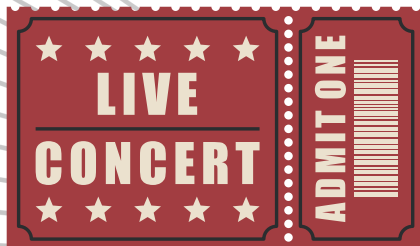
TOLEDO OPERA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 @ 2PM

AND

HOLIDAY CONCERT W/ THE ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 @ 1PM



****sponsored by an anonymous donor****

Mondays, 2pm

All movies will begin promptly, and beverages will be provided, plus comfy seats and a big screen to enjoy these classics.

To attend this adult program, you must be 16 years or older.

Registration required

Classic Comedy Movie Matinees

September 21: *You Can't Take It With You* (1938)

October 5: *Palm Beach Story* (1942)

October 19: *Arsenic and Old Lace* (1944)

November 16: *The Bride Came C.O.D.* (1941)

November 30: *Cluny Brown* (1946)

December 7: *Unfaithfully Yours* (1948)

December 21: *We're No Angels* (1955)

December 28: *Bachelor Mother* (1939)

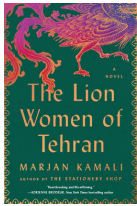


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Jackie's Book Club

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.

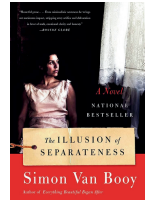


Sept. 2: The Lion Women of Tehran by Marjan Kamali

A novel about the decades-long friendship between two girls from different social classes in Tehran, Ellie and Homa, set against the backdrop of Iran's political upheaval from the 1950s to the present day.

Oct. 7: The Illusion of Separateness by Simon Van Booy

A novel by Simon Van Booy that interweaves the stories of seemingly unrelated characters, revealing how a single act of mercy during World War II connects them across time and place. **Author will pay a short visit via ZOOM!**

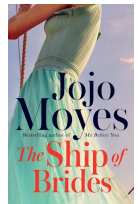


Nov. 4: Extraordinary People by Peter May

The story follows Enzo Macleod, a Scottish forensic biologist living in France, who makes a daring wager to use modern science to solve seven of the country's most notorious unsolved murders.

Dec. 2: Ship of Brides by Jojo Moyes

A historical fiction novel based on the true story of Australian war brides traveling to England after WWII to meet their new husbands, focusing on four women sharing a cabin on a decommissioned aircraft carrier, the HMS Victorious, filled with naval officers.



Monday, October 26 @ 7pm

PAUL BIELATOWICZ'S
NOSFERATU
LIVE UNDEAD

A Halloween **Spooktacular** of live music, classic horror and some very special guests...



Step into the shadows this Halloween season with Nosferatu LIVE, a spine-tingling rock spectacle that breathes new life into the 1922 silent horror masterpiece. This multimedia concert fuses classic horror with jaw-dropping musicianship and heart-pounding progressive rock.

Registration required. Limited space available.
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Drop-in @ the library

Drop-In Mahjong
Thursdays, 1-3:30pm
All Experience Levels
Welcome

Join our local Mahjong Club (Chinese rules). All are welcome from beginners to experienced.

Drop-In Chess Club
Thursdays, 4-7:30pm
All Ages Welcome

Bring your own chess set with you. We will have a few but cannot guarantee their availability. You must already know how to play chess.

Drop-In Euchre
1st & 3rd Thursdays
4-7:30pm
ages 16+

Join us for some casual Euchre play! Cards will be provided and rules printed out, but no instruction is offered. Drop-in for a game or two, by yourself or bring a friend.

Drop-In Adult Scrabble
2nd & 4th Thursdays
4-7:30pm
ages 16+

All Skill Levels Welcome
Put your word skills to the test! Join fellow Scrabblers for a relaxed game. Come on your own or bring a friend. We have some boards but feel free to bring your own.

Drop-In Embroidery & Stitching
1st & 3rd Fridays, 12-4pm
All Skill Levels Welcome

Join us for a drop-in session and get to know your fellow embroiderers/stitchers in the area. Bring a project or start a new one, and socialize at the same time.

Fall Book Sale

**Monday, September 28 -
Saturday, October 3**
during regular library hours

Friends pre-sale:

Saturday, September 26, 9am-12pm



Donations:

Will be accepted from 9/23 - 9/26

Items not accepted:

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

Pricing:

All hardcovers are \$1.00 each;
AV & paperbacks are \$0.50 each;
or \$8.00 to fill a grocery bag.
We will supply the grocery bags.

Upscale Rummage Sale

Saturday, November 21
9am-3pm



**Get great deals on
household goods, antiques,
collectibles, toys, furniture
& much more.
Cash or Check only.**

**Donations accepted during Library hours:
Thursday, 11/19 & Friday, 11/20**

We will accept small appliances (in working order), household items, like-new Christmas decorations.

NOT ACCEPTED: Clothes, books, CDs, large furniture, drinking glasses, stuffed animals. All items subject to inspection.



**For more information:
www.friendsofhtl.org**

2nd Annual Puzzle Swap & Sale

Saturday, October 24

Voucher Holders: 10-11am

Public Sale: 11am-3pm

Donations accepted September 1 - October 22

Donate to swap then stay to buy!

please visit hamburglibrary.org for more details



Mitten Tree

December 1-31

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.



5th Annual Holiday Gifts for Shelter Animals

November 2 - December 16

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 to win a gift basket from The Wild Indoors Pet Supplies.



Children's Theatre of Michigan

Silly-Spooky Sing-Along-Do-Along Halloween Party of a Show

Registration begins
Wednesday,
August 19 @ 9am



Everybody's favorite Goofy Goblins, Boogah and Hoogah, perform this Silly-Spooky Sing-Along-Do-Along Halloween Party of a Show. Wear your best costume, tune up your voice, exercise your funny bone, and be true to your Boooooooo! Silly-spooky fun for Little Monsters and family audiences of all ages.

Wednesday, October 21 @ 6:30pm
registration required - All Ages

TOYS FOR TOTS

Monday, November 23 to
Saturday, December 12

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



Ornament Making

Come decorate a Christmas ornament or three with us.

Ages: 5 and under Ages: 6 and up
Tuesday, November 17 Wednesday, November 18
2pm 6:30pm
**registration required

Santa Claus

Wednesday, December 9 @ 6:30pm
registration required ... numbers passed out @ 6:15pm

Here comes Santa Claus,
Here comes Santa Claus,
Right down Hamburg Lane

Fixin' to listen
to all your wishes
And passin' out some canes

Bells are ringin',
kids are singin'
The lists go on for miles!

So come on in
and join the fun
'cause Santa Claus brings the smiles!



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crafts.

Kids Programming

Registration begins
Wednesday,
August 19 @ 9am

Story Hours

*** 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' Wiggles Baby Time

Mondays: 10-11am

September 14 - December 7

Ages: Newborns 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 toys and socialization.



Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays: 10-11am

September 15 - December 8

Ages: 3 to 5-year-olds.

Let's get messy and have fun! Listen to some stories, sing some songs, then create art and crafts with a variety of materials, textures, and colors. Dress for a mess.



Lapsit

Thursday: 10-11am

September 17 - December 10

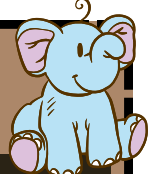
Ages: 2 and 3-year-olds.

Enjoy stories and songs from the comfort of the caregiver's lap, followed by in-person crafts.

visit hamburglibrary.org/kidszone
for all things HTL Kids



Stuffed Animal Sleepover



Drop-Off:

9/15 (all day)
9/16
(9am-4pm)

See what crazy antics happens when your stuffed animal spends the night in the library. Each stuffie and owner will receive a personalized booklet about their adventures.

Drop-Off:

10/27(all day)
10/28
(9am-4pm)

Pick-Up:

9/17 (12-8pm)

registration required
Please do not register for both

Pick-Up:

10/29 (12-8pm)



Lego Club

Tuesdays, 3:30-5pm

9/8; 10/20; 11/24; 12/15

Ages 3-17 - 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 younger kids

**You must be here before 4:30pm



Drop-In Game Nights

Wednesdays in
September and October
6-8pm

No registration required -
drop in anytime

Come in and play our
variety of board games ...
borrow from our collection
or use some of our
donations.
Settle in, play on,
and have fun :)

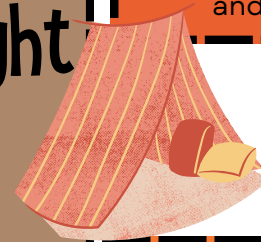
Family Fort Night

Wednesday, October 7

6-8pm

All ages - Registration required

Join us for a cozy evening of creativity at Family Fort Night, where families build their own blanket forts inside the library using chairs, sheets, and lights. Then snuggle up inside for stories, snacks, and low-key fun like shadow puppets and games!



Cast your VOTE

Stop by the library and
weigh in on our ongoing
"This or That" poll!

Each round features two fun
choices—like Donuts vs Donut
Holes or Apple Cider vs. Hot
Chocolate. Cast your vote and
see which favorite comes out on
top. Check back regularly for
new match-ups and let your
voice be heard!



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Friends of the Hamburg Township Library

2026 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!

Annual Meeting and Board Elections: Wednesday, 9/16 @ 6pm

Date _____
Name _____
Address _____
City, St. _____
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 membership@friendsofhtl.org

Optional Volunteering:

- 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 (60+) (\$5)
- ____ Students (\$5)
- ____ Family (\$25)
- ____ Business (\$50)
- ____ Patron (\$100)
- ____ Lifetime (\$300)

Not a member yet?

JOIN NOW!

Already a member?

RENEW!

Dues are used to support
Library programs & events!

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.