



# The Wave

Newsletter of the Hamburg Township Historical Society-February 2025

## ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 12—7:00PM

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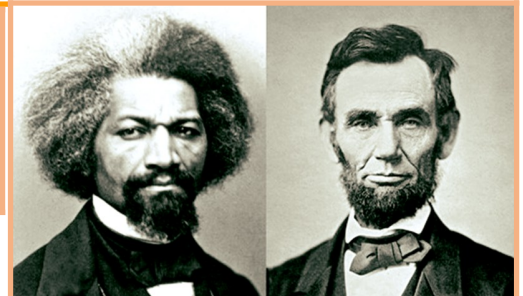
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### MUSEUM HOURS

Saturdays  
10:00 AM—2:00 PM



Happy Valentines Day!!



Frederick Douglass

Abraham Lincoln

Ever wondered why Black History Month is in February? It's because February is when the birthdays of two towering figures, united in the fight for equality, are celebrated.

### Learn more....

A virtual presentation from Hamburg Township Library. **Midnight Detroit: Underground Railroad (v) Tuesday, February 18 @ 6:30pm** Code named Midnight, Detroit was a vital station on the Underground Railroad. Presented by Billy Winkle, Assistant Curator, Detroit Historical Museum.

Check the library website for registration details. [hamburglibrary.org](http://hamburglibrary.org).

### PIECE - IT - TOGETHER— JIGSAW DERBY

#### IS YOUR TEAM THE FASTEST??



A fun competition for enthusiastic puzzler partners. Puzzles are typically a relaxing activity, but this event picks up the pace challenging your puzzle skills to be the first to finish!

**February 22, 2025:** at the Hamburg Township Museum 7225 Stone Street, Hamburg, MI

Read all about it and sign up PAGE 2

### The KNITTING Corner

Ready to knit something different this winter?

Join us Sat. Feb. 15 (12:00 – 1:30) To cast-on the unique **“WHAT’S YOUR POINT SCARF”** by Carole Carr.

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DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY

## **PIECE - IT - TOGETHER— JIGSAW DERBY-**



### **FASTEST WINS**

**February 22, 2025:** Hamburg Township Museum

7225 Stone Street, Hamburg, MI

**Competition Format:** Teams of two people.

**Participants must be 16 years of age or older.**

**Starting Bell:** 10:30 am (Note: The museum is open at 10am so you will have time to pay the entry fee, find a seat and get comfortable)

**Finish:** 1:45 pm

If a team completes before 1:45, competition ends.

If no one has finished at 1:45, winners will be determined by number of pieces remaining.

Each partner in the winning team will receive a \$20.00 certificate to a local eatery.

**Entry fee:** \$5.00 per person. All teams will receive the same 300-piece puzzle to be turned in at the end of the event.

**TO ENTER:** please register via email or phone. Entry fees will be accepted on arrival. Cash, check or credit card.

**Email:** [hthsandmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:hthsandmuseum@gmail.com) provide partner names and phone contact. You will receive an email confirmation.

**Phone:** 810-986-0190 leave a voicemail with partner names and phone contact. You will receive a confirmation call.

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Denise and Pat will be on hand with a sample scarf and will help you get started on this beauty.

The scarf is based on a 9 row pattern repeat and does require a bit of counting.

We plan to complete at least one 9 row sequence that afternoon.

The finished scarf is lightweight and cozy and can be worn several ways.

For this project the supplies needed are:

-24" size 5 circular needle (size 6 if you are a tight knitter)

-1 Skein of variegated sock yarn (prefer #2 weight) OR at least 60 grams of assorted sock yarn left-overs.

We'll have some sock yarn scraps on hand to supplement your stash)

-Pattern is FREE on Ravelry and we will have copies available.



**Please be comfortable with the following stitches: cast on, knit, and purl**

This pattern features the Central Double Decrease (CDD) stitch and we will demo it if that stitch is new to you.

This project is somewhat time consuming, so we will gather again on March 8<sup>th</sup>. to answer questions and cheer each other on !

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: **FEBRUARY 10**

- Maximum class size: 10
- School-age young people need a parent to accompany them and sign a permission slip. They do not have to remain with the child.
- FREE for Members and \$10 for Non-members.
- Email registration: [hthsandmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:hthsandmuseum@gmail.com)
- Phone Registration: 810-986-0190
- Include participant name, age if a minor, and email and phone contact.
- Registrations will be confirmed.



### Come to the museum and see a Ukelin.

The **ukelin** is a stringed musical instrument made popular in the United States in the 1920s. It is a [bowed psaltery](#) with [zither](#) strings, and its name derives from the [ukulele](#) (which was first made in Portugal but was popularized in Hawaii) and the [violin](#). It lost popularity prior to the 1970s because the instrument was difficult to play and often returned to the manufacturer before it was completely paid for. (Wikipedia)

*FEBRUARY 2 is National Ukulele Day*

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### Need a spot for a one-time or recurring meeting? We've got you covered.

The museum is now offering rental space for community meetings and activities for groups of 30 or less at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. The space is wheelchair accessible, and if required a podium, screen and microphone are available. Contact the museum via email with questions or to request a room rental agreement. [HTHSandmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:HTHSandmuseum@gmail.com). Please provide your name, email and/or phone contact and a museum representative will contact you.



**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS** — There have been recent donations left in the entry area. If you have donations for the rummage sale, please save them until June. More information will follow. If you wish to donate a historical item, please bring it during open hours, Saturday 10-2, or call or email for an appointment. Your cooperation is much appreciated.



***YOUR COMMUNITY—  
YOUR MUSEUM***

### HTHS Annual Meeting

Wednesday, February 12 | 7:00 pm

**Hamburg Township Museum**

**7225 Stone Street | Hamburg, MI**

- \* Meet the Board
- \* Meet other members
- \* Hear a brief recap of 2024
- \* What's in store for 2025



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **FEBRUARY—Black History Month**

- 12—Annual Meeting
- 15—Knitting—What’s Your Point Scarf
- 22—Piece It Together—Jigsaw Derby

## **MARCH—Women’s History Month**

- 8—Knitting—What’s Your Point Scarf continues
- 15—Women’s History Scavenger Hunt

## **APRIL**

- 21—Hamburg Township is 190 Years Old

## **JULY 26**

### **THE ANNUAL OVER-THE-TOP RUMMAGE SALE**

**Donations will be accepted beginning June 1. Watch for details.**



# NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY

National Freedom Day commemorates the date – **February 1, 1865** – when Abraham Lincoln, who was the nation's president at the time, signed a joint resolution that proposed the 13th amendment to the United States Constitution. The amendment was made to outlaw slavery and was ratified on December 18, 1865.

Major Richard Robert Wright Senior, a former slave who founded the National Freedom Day Association, played a crucial role in creating the observance. Major Wright was deemed as a community leader in Philadelphia and was active in education, the media, business and politics. He hoped to see a day that would be dedicated to celebrating freedom for all Americans.

The first commemoration of such a day took place on February 1, 1942, although it was not made into law yet. A tradition of laying a wreath at Liberty Bell also began. On June 30, 1948, President Harry Truman signed a bill to proclaim February 1 as the first official National Freedom Day in the United States.

### **Heads Up.....**

The museum team is curating exhibits and activities for 2025 to ignite your interest in every season. Watch for special email blasts, website & Facebook postings to track the lineup.



**IF YOU JOINED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 2024, YOUR RENEWAL IS DUE by FEBRUARY 28, 2025. IF YOU JOINED SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER, 2024, YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD THROUGH 2025. RATE INCREASE MARCH 1, 2025. RENEW NOW!**

New \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Email address\* \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL DUES:** \_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Dual \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Family \$30.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Business \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Life \$300.00 (one lifetime payment)

Please initial here if you would like automatic renewal \_\_\_\_\_ If we may include your name in the newsletter as new member \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter free, delivered monthly via email.

Online Membership registration at: <https://hamburgmuseum.org/support/> or make your check payable to the Hamburg Township Historical Society. Mail it with this form to P.O. Box 272, Hamburg, MI 48139

**HELP US PRESERVE AND PRESENT THE HISTORY OF HAMBURG. JOIN THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY!**