



The Wave

Newsletter of the Hamburg Township Historical Society-May 2025

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MUSEUM HOURS

Saturdays

10:00 AM—2:00 PM

WELCOME new
April members.
Please visit,
learn, participate
in activities,
make sugges-
tions, volunteer
and tell your

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Magical May at the Museum



An enchanting eco-friendly project—WED, MAY 14, 6:00 PM



*Learn About Rain Gardens
Beautiful Landscaping
with a Purpose*



Join Kate Laramie, Watershed Ecologist with the Huron River Watershed Council, for an informative session on the benefits of rain gardens and how they can help protect local waterways. Learn how these eco-friendly gardens capture and filter stormwater, reduce flooding, and enhance the beauty of your landscape—all while supporting native plants and pollinators.

If you're a homeowner living on the lake, a rain garden can be a powerful tool for improving water quality by reducing runoff and preventing erosion along the shoreline.



Huron
River
Watershed
Council

This session will provide practical tips on designing, installing, and maintaining a rain garden to protect both your property and the health of local lakes and rivers.

To Register: Please email:hthsandmuseum@gmail.com. Provide the name(s) you wish to register and a phone contact. You will receive an email confirmation. Suggested donation: \$5/person.

DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY



Continue the magic at The Knitting Corner



**MAKE
THIS CHICK APPEAR!**



Can you imagine your BFF, child or grand-child loving this pocket-size stress relieving pal??

This is a two-session project.

Session 1: Saturday,

May 31, 12:00 - 1:30 PM. Start the chick and practice short rows

Session 2: Wednesday, June 18, 6:00 - 7:30 PM. Stuff your chick and sew it together.

Working on this adorable LITTLE CHICK is a great way to practice the 'short row' knitting technique.

Cost: Classes are free for members, \$10 for nonmembers
Pattern is \$5.50 for each knitter

Class size: limited to 6

Skills required: knowledge of cast on, knit and purl stitches

Ages: 10 - Adult Note: PERMISSION SLIP (available at museum welcome desk) required for participants under age 18.

Supplies provided: SOLID color yarns are available free for class members. Also supplied: mustard color yarn for beak, red yarn for comb, 2 safety eyes, and fiberfill stuffing

Supplies to bring: Size 7 16" circular needle and /or a set of size 7 double point sock needles darning / yarn needle in week 2. (if you have a favorite in your yarn stash at home, feel free to bring along about 50 yards of any multi or solid color worsted(#4) weight yarn (optional).

Sign up and pay for pattern / class in advance at :

hthsandmuseum@gmail.com.

Leave name and contact phone number. You will receive an email confirmation.

LIVE

MAY 17

12-1:30 PM



Spinning *wizard*, Krista Smith, live, on-site to fascinate by demonstrating the transformation of fiber from wool roving to yarn using a vintage spinning wheel. She will have other spinning related tools and fibers available for guests to examine and ask questions. While at the museum you will also be able to see our antique spinning wheel exhibit.

Register by email:

hthsandmuseum@gmail.com Include name(s) and phone contact. You will receive and email confirmation. Suggested donation: Members: \$5 Non-members \$8



Krista has been interested in fiber arts since she learned to sew at 8 years old. Her love for creative arts has grown to include weaving, spinning, and dyeing fiber. She loves sharing her passion for creativity with others, and has been teaching and demonstrating handmade crafts locally for several years.



The following area businesses have provided support to Hamburg Township Museum through membership, donations, services and discounts. Their willingness to contribute is an amazing and necessary resource for our work in the community, and we are proud to have them as partners. Please consider them when making buying choices.

Advanced Water Systems

Alan's Asphalt

Bank of Ann Arbor

Boomers Party Store

Captain Scotty's Boat Tours

Carpet Depot

COSTCO

Critter Control

Dairy Queen

Great Indoors

Hamburg Coney Island

Hamburg Pub

Hamburg Township Library

Kroger

Lakeland Golf and Country Club

Livingston Eye Care

Peters True Value Hardware

Stacey Hewitt, Realtor

Todd's Landscaping

Zukey Lake Tavern

First businesses in Hamburg

Jason DeWolf, blacksmith, first to practice that trade for a fee.

In 1835 two men named Gay and Hammond built the first sawmill in the township on Horseshoe Creek.

Hamburg Township Historical Society and Museum is in its 21st year of preserving and presenting the history of the Hamburg Township area. The museum provides a history hub right in the center of historic Hamburg Village. This year, in addition to our historic exhibits and informative and fun programming, technology is being added to make every visit even more engaging.

HTHS and Museum is an independent non-profit 501(c)3 organization funded by memberships, donations, grants, and dedicated fund-raising initiatives. These area businesses are a significant part of our lifeline.

To join this cultural gem in Hamburg, as a business, individual or family visit:

hamburgmuseum/support.org or email

hthsandmuseum@gmail.org. A museum representative will contact you promptly. Better still, visit the museum in person on Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm and join on the spot! It's fun to belong!

**HELP US
PRESERVE AND
PRESENT
THE HISTORY
OF HAMBURG.
BECOME A
VOLUNTEER!**

Current Volunteer Opportunities

May 13—Set up for May 14 program

May 16—Set up for May 17 program

May—dates to be determined—preparation for the June bridal gown exhibit.

To volunteer for any of these events, please email hthsandmuseum@gmail.com include your name, phone contact, and item of interest. A museum representative will contact you.





Gazing Forward....

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- **14 - 6 pm Rain Gardens: Beautiful Landscapes with a Purpose—see page 1**

Presented by: Kate Laramie, Watershed Ecologist, Huron River Watershed Council

- **17 - 12 pm —1:30pm Live Spinning Wheel Demo by Krista Smith.- see page 2**

- **31—12 pm—1:30 pm—Session 1 Knit A Chick—see page 2**

JUNE

- **18—12 pm—1:30 pm—Session 2 Knit A Chick**

- **21 - 12 pm—2 pm—Spring Garden Tea**

JULY

- **26— 9 am—3 pm - Over-the-Top Rummage Sale
See next column**

Hamburg Township Museum

Annual Over-the-Top Rummage Sale

Item donations begin June 1— follow these steps:

Begin your annual search for items to donate.

Please **do not leave** the following items:

- ♦ Clothing
- ♦ Computers or computer accessories
- ♦ Books (Hamburg Township Library is collecting May 5-10) Children's books **are** accepted.

Do not drop off any donations before June 1.

Leave your donations at the covered entryway to the museum. They will be picked up at least once daily.

On July 26 come and enjoy the inside sale in air-conditioned comfort.



Need a site 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 carpeted space is wheelchair accessible, and equipped with tables, chairs, a 75 inch monitor and if required, a podium and microphone. Contact the museum via email with questions, to make an appointment to see the room, or to request a room rental agreement at: HTHSandmuseum@gmail.com. Please provide your name, email and/or phone contact and a museum representative will contact you.



Or complete the [Room Rental Agreement](https://hamburgmuseum.org/room-rental-agreement) online at hamburgmuseum.org. Form found under the Visit tab.

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