

The Wave

Newsletter of the Hamburg Township Historical Society • April 2023

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VISITING HOURS

11 am-3 pm Weds. & Sats.

ADMISSION

\$2 adults, \$1 children 18 and younger, members free

Join Us April 22 for Community Clean Up Day at Winkelhaus Park!

Did you know that the Historical Society played an important role in the creation of Winkelhaus Park, located in the village across from the Hamburg Pub?

The land used to be occupied by the Hamburg House hotel, owned and operated for more than 60 years by the Winkelhaus family. When a fire destroyed the building, the land was never reused – resulting in a weedy vacant lot. The Historical Society suggested to the Winkelhaus family that they might want to lease the land to the township to develop a small park, and – in 2013 – that park was officially dedicated. It now contains a beautiful gazebo, horseshoe pits, and a walking trail. And it's steps away from an even larger path: the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail.

On Saturday, April 22, we invite you to join us at the park to participate in the township's Community Clean Up Day. **Tasks will include bagging up fallen branches, raking leaves, and preparing the soil around the gazebo for later plantings.** To participate, please fill out and submit a volunteer

registration form available on the township website at www.hamburg.mi.us or in person at the township hall at 10405 Merrill Road.

Bring your own work gloves and rakes to the park, and let's play in the dirt together!



WHAT'S NEW?

Looking for something different to put in a child's Easter basket? Our gift shop offers engineer hats, train whistles, railroad activity packs, and paint-your-own wooden locomotive kits as well as unicorn-themed figurines, mini Lego kits, and fuzzy rainbow pens. Do you have a reader in your family? Then consider picking up a copy of "Great Girls in Michigan History" or "Bold Boys in Michigan History." These chapter books for kids aged 8 to 12 celebrate the achievements of young people in our state.

ANOTHER WAY TO HELP CREATE A NEW LEARNING CENTER

Do you have a Facebook page? Did you know that you can create a fundraiser on it and direct family and friends' donations to the Hamburg Township Historical Society? The Society is currently seeking support to convert the museum tearoom into a learning center for children's and adult programming. And you can help!

STEP 1: Log in to Facebook.com using your username and password.

STEP 2: Click "What's on Your Mind?" to draft your fundraising post.

STEP 3: Click on the three dots at the bottom right to expand the menu.

STEP 4: Click on "Support Nonprofit" and type "Hamburg Township Historical Society" in the search bar that pops up.

STEP 5: Write a message about why you feel it's necessary to support the Society in this project. Then click "post."

Thank you in advance for helping to promote this very important effort!



Visit the museum on Saturday, April 1 or Wednesday, April 5 to shop at the gift shop for Easter basket items.

WHAT'S COMING?

APRIL 22 **Hamburg Township** Community Clean Up Day at Winkelhaus Park 9 AM-3 PM

MAY 20 Invasive Plants Talk by Katie Carlisle of **Huron-Clinton Metroparks** AT THE MUSEUM. 1 PM

MAY 29 Memorial Day Open House AT THE MUSEUM, 9 AM-12 NOON

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

Name			Date
Address			
City	State	_Zip	Phone
Email address*			
ANNUAL DUES			
☐ Individual \$20.00	☐ Dual \$25.00 ☐ Family \$30.00		
☐ Business \$50.00	Life \$300.00 (one lifetime payment)		
*ADD \$12 to receive paper newsletters via USPS; email copies are free.			

Visit hamburgmuseum.org/membership to make a credit card payment. Or mail this form with a check made payable to the Hamburg Township Historical Society to P.O. Box 272, Hamburg, MI 48139 or drop it off at the museum at 7225 Stone Street.