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11 am-3 pm
Weds. & Sats.

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

The Wave

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Astronomy Expert to Share His Story About Hamburg Meteorites on Jan. 14

As a boy growing up on Ore Lake, Tony Licata loved to look through his telescope and wished he could see a meteor from his backyard. Flash forward to 2018: In January of that year, an asteroid entered Earth's atmosphere, turned into a meteor, exploded, and then dropped to the ground in Hamburg Township. Over the next two weeks, Licata and his family found three pieces of the meteor (called meteorites) – the high point of his amateur astronomy career.

Tony will show those three pieces and share his deep knowledge of this unique event during a talk sponsored by the Hamburg Township Historical Society on Saturday, January 14 at 2 pm. **NOTE: For space reasons, the event will be held at the township's Senior Community Center, located at 10407 Merrill Road in Hamburg.**

Tickets are FREE to society members and \$5/ person for non-members. **Register now – for free tickets OR paid tickets – at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) (search for Hamburg Township).** Please note that the talk will be aimed at adults but also appropriate for children of middle-school age and older.



Join us on Saturday, January 14 at Hamburg's senior center for a special presentation on the meteorites that struck Hamburg Township in 2018!

DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY

WHO'S NEW?

Please join us in welcoming these new members who've signed on since August 1.

- Gary & Peggy Brewer
- Sharon & Mike Cuddington
- George Degener
- The Jan Durecki Family
- Constance Mendenhall
- Dave and Susan Sepesi
- Dominic Vagnetti
- Tomy Waichunas

WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE PIANO?

If you or your organization is in need of a piano, the museum has one to give – for free! Our Winter & Company instrument (Royale model) measures 56" long x 24" wide x 42" high, and comes with a matching bench. Stop in and try it out during the museum's open hours on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 11 am-3 pm. NOTE: The new owner must load it up and haul it away.

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

WHAT'S NEW?

- In December, Heather Harrison was named the historical society's Volunteer of the Year. In the short time she's been associated with the society, Heather has participated as a substitute greeter, Halloween candy giver-outer, tea party server, and paranormal event team member. On a leadership level, she also planned and served as the educator for the museum's first-ever history day camp, which was a big hit with its young attendees. Heather will be formally recognized at the volunteer thank-you luncheon to be held later this month.



Shown here at work, Heather is the youth services librarian for the Genesee (County) District Library.

- Did you know that our township is home to 11 different historical markers commissioned by four different organizations? The first, marking Governor Edwin Winans' homesite, was a project of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The second and third, describing

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St. Stephen's church and Hamburg/Winans (on a single plaque), are state markers. A set of five, chronicling the Hamburg House, Hamburg's two railroads, railroad safety, roadways, and the Zukey Lake Ice House, were created by the MotorCities National Heritage Area. And three signs, marking the Chain of Lakes, Hamburg, and the Huron River along the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail, were developed by the DNR Heritage Trails program. For the exact locations of these markers, visit hmdb.org.

WHAT'S COMING?

JANUARY 14, 2 pm
Hamburg Meteorites Presentation
Hamburg Township Senior Community Center
10407 Merrill Road, Hamburg
Tickets at Eventbrite.com;
search under Hamburg Township

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

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