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VISITING HOURS
11 am-3 pm
Weds. & Sats.

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

The Wave

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Learn About Wild (& Amazing) Women in Michigan's Past at a March 19 Talk

Can you imagine being strapped into a wooden barrel and shoved into the Niagara River for a hair-raising ride over the falls, and living to tell the tale? That's what Bay City's Annie Edson Taylor did in 1901, which qualifies her to join a group of other daring females featured in a presentation at 3:00 pm on Sunday, March 19 at the Hamburg Museum. Former museum administrator Pat Majher will share stories she's uncovered about wild women in Michigan history who ignored the conventions of their times to do something memorable – and sometimes crazy! – just because they wanted to.

You can look forward to hearing about a deep-sea diver who recovered millions of dollars' worth of copper from the Great Lakes, a trader who built an empire of furs from her Mackinac Island home, a World War II flight nurse and first female to earn the Distinguished Flying Cross, a Motor City madam who had both vice officers and Purple Gang members on her payroll, and more.

Admission is free and refreshments will be served.



Bay City teacher Annie Edson Taylor was the first person to survive a barrel ride over Niagara Falls.

DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY

HELP STILL NEEDED ON OUR GOFUNDME CAMPAIGN

Many thanks to those who've already given to our GoFund Me campaign to create a learning center inside the museum! We greatly appreciate your support. And to those who haven't yet made a contribution, we hope you'll consider it now. **We're only at 20% of our goal...**

Our campaign page (link below) has a description of the project to transform the former tearoom into an **educational space with modern presentation technology and furnishings to seat 40-50 people**. This will benefit the children we host for school visits, clubs, and day camps, as well as adults who visit to hear a book talk, enjoy a workshop, or watch a performance.

In a twist on an old advertising slogan, we're hoping you can "give until it helps"!

<https://gofund.me/c976af53>

WHAT'S NEW?

- We'll again be participating in the Blue Star Museums summer visit program in 2023! From May 20 (Armed Forces Day) through September 4, all active-duty military personnel including the National Guard and Reserve and their family members will be admitted free to the museum. (A military ID is required.) Remember this special deal when family and friends visit you in Hamburg Township this year!
- Look what we found on eBay: a real-picture postcard of a group of vacationers about to enter one of the pavilions on the shore of Zukey Lake. Mailed August 1, 1912 to a recipient in Toledo, Ohio, the text on the back notes that "Yesterday we went to Urr (Ore) lake in a launch and the ride up the (Huron) river was grand."



Visitors to the Chain of Lakes were transported around the waterways in small boats like these.

SWITCHING FROM AMAZON SMILE TO KROGER

Last year, Amazon ended its community giving program called Amazon Smile to focus on making large gifts to nonprofits of its choosing. If you were using Amazon Smile as a way to make contributions to the Hamburg Township Historical Society, we ask that you consider switching to Kroger's Community Rewards program through the following link. As always, thank you for your support!

<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>

WHAT'S COMING?

MARCH 19
Wild Women in Michigan History
3:00 PM

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

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address* _____

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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.