Winter Selections . . .

ADULT PROGRAMS

JAN. 5 THROUGH FEB. 27
Snow is Falling, Books are Calling!
Join Hackley Library's first annual adult winter reading program. Register at the Circulation Desk and pick up a Bingo card. Readers who complete the Bingo card by the end of February will get a mug!

JAN. 5
Hackley Handicrafts: Needle Felting.
MON., 6:00
Learn a new craft with Nancy Hartman!

JAN. 6
A Tale of Two Submarines
TUES., 6:00
Frank Marczak, Associate Director of the USS Silversides Submarine Museum, presents the story of the USS Silversides and the USS Flier.

JAN. 12
American Songs
MON., 6:00
Nick Kroes and David Crandall sing American songs of love and lamentation, trouble and trains.

JAN. 13
10 tips to a Healthy Plate
TUES., 6:00 Learn how to make healthy food choices for a healthy lifestyle, choose foods to eat more often and cut back on foods to eat less often.

JAN. 14
Tech Wednesday: Google Drive
WED., 3:00
Bring your laptop or tablet and follow along while we look at Google Drive.

JAN. 21
Finances for Lunch: Financial Fitness
WED., 12:00 - 1:00
Bring your lunch start getting fit financially. PNC Bank friends help you get started.

JAN. 28
Tech Wednesday: Dropbox
WED., 3:00
Today we will look at Dropbox, a cloud-based storage site.

We are planning some exciting Black History Month programs! Local choirs, poetry, and an African American History Trivia contest are in the works! Check our webpage, The Chronicle and MuskegonOnline.net for details!

HPL will be closed
JANUARY 19
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
and
FEBRUARY 16
Presidents' Day.

January-February CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEB. 2
Hackley Handicrafts: Butter Making
MON., 6:00

FEB. 3
Community Youth Choir
TUES., 6:00
In honor of Black History Month, a local community youth choir will be presenting a program with singing and surprises!

FEB. 9
Celebrate the joy of jazz!
MON., 6:00
Ruxy discovered the magic of the ivories at a young age and traveled the globe performing his unique musical style with international acts including Spyro Gyra.

FEB. 10
Black History Trivia Contest
TUES., 6:00
So you think you know your Black History? Form a group with your friends (4-5) and pit your knowledge against other teams. The winning team will win a prize. Look for more information and sign up your team.

FEB. 11
Tech Wednesday: PicMonkey
WED., 3:00
PicMonkey, an online photo editing site, will be explained and demonstrated in an informal drop in session.

FEB. 18
Finances for Lunch: Loan to Own
WED., 12:00 - 1:00

Good idea or ? Bring your lunch and learn from the PNC Bank folks.

FEB. 24
Church of the Living God Choir
TUES., 6:00
In honor of Black History month, the Church of the Living God Choir will perform.

FEB. 25
Tech Wednesday: Gimp
WED., 3:00

Interested in Gimp, a free alternative to Photoshop? Bring your laptop or tablet and follow along while we explain.

SATURDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

Patient and popular instructor De'ondra Pentecost continues teaching free introductory computer classes on

SATURDAYS at 11AM and 12:15 PM

Registration is required so that there are enough computers for everybody. Call HPL at 231-722-7276 to sign up.

JAN 3: *Computer Basics*
JAN 10: *Word*
JAN 17: *Internet*
JAN 24: *E-Mail*
JAN 31: *Facebook*
FEB 7: *YouTube*
FEB 14: *Powerpoint*
FEB 21: *Publisher*
FEB 28: *Computer Basics*

Classes are brought to you through the generosity of the Friends of Hackley Library and the House Family Foundation.

YOUTH PROGRAMS January-February

JAN. 1 THROUGH FEB. 2
Black History Month Calendar Contest
Celebrate African American achievements & enter HPL's annual calendar contest. Young artists in grades 1 - 12 are invited to draw a picture from Black History that shows a person or event that made a difference. The best and most original pictures will be published in a free calendar available throughout Muskegon. Pick up your entry form at the Library.

JAN. 10
Hula Hooping with Miss Audacious
SAT., 2:00
Have some winter fun and get some great exercise at the same time! Hoops provided – wear some comfy, not baggy clothes and bring yourself and your family.

JAN. 12 THROUGH FEB. 23
Winter Story Time Fun
MONDAYS, 6:45
Read Early, Read often fun for children Ages 3-7. Share a couple of books with Ms. Cassandra, some fingerplays, a craft, and a treat. SIGN UP REQUIRED! Phone 231-722-7276, ext. 230 to register.

JAN. 15, THROUGH FEB. 26
Toddler Playdate Fun
THURSDAYS, 11:00
Fun for children ages 10 mo. to 3 years with a caregiver. Join Miss Cassandra for just-right pre-reading fun. SIGN UP REQUIRED! Phone 231-722-7276, ext. 230 to Register.

JAN. 17 & JAN. 24
Kid's Beginning Crochet with Katelyn and Natalie
SATURDAYS, 10:30 - 12:30
Kids—want to learn to crochet? Join us for two mornings of crocheting with our young crochet enthusiasts, Katelyn and Natalie. Beginners, ages 8 and up, are invited to learn the basic crochet skills and make a simple craft. Supplies will be provided.

JAN. 17
Lego Mania Family Fun Day
SAT., 2 :00
Tired of being stuck inside? Come build with us. Join other Lego Lovers for an afternoon of fun, competition and candy prizes. You're never too old to Lego.

JAN. 24
Cinderella's Ball
SAT., 2:00

Be our guest at Cinderella's ball!
Cinderella will lead guests through songs, dance and fun games. Come dressed as your favorite princess/ prince or character of your choice to enjoy the festivities. Guests will make a "royal craft" and enjoy a "royal treat". Ages 2-12 are welcome!

JAN. 31 & FEB. 7
Kid's Hip Hop Dance Clinic with Ms. Rebecca
SATURDAYS, 12:00 - 1:00
Join Ms. Rebecca for two dance sessions in cool Hip Hop moves to keep up with the latest dance trends.

FEB. 2 - FEB. 28
Off the Wall Teen Poetry and Art Contest
Teens: enter poems, stories, drawings, comics, or any other original creative work in the annual Off The Wall contest. Flyers with details available at the library. The best work will be published.

FEB. 7
Minecraft at the Library
SAT., 2:00
Join us in the meeting rooms in the basement of HPL for our entry into the world of Minecraft, a cool kid's world that uses building skills to create your own world. This will be a great time to meet other kids in the area who love Minecraft too. Registration is required. Seating is limited to 20. Please call to reserve your seat starting January 5, 2015. Beginners are welcome! This program is appropriate for children ages 6-12.

FEB. 14
Kid's Valentine Crafts
SAT., 2:00
Make a special craft that will warm the heart of the person you love the most.

FEB. 21
Black History Calendar Contest Awards
SAT., 2:00
Student art is showcased and Contest winners and their families are honored at this event.

FEB. 28
Family LEGO Mania
SAT., 2:00
Join us for a LEGO-building good time as we use our imaginations to come up with cool constructions. Audience participation includes picking the best creations! Remember, we'll supply the LEGOs, you supply the ideas.

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IT'S WINTER AGAIN AND A GREAT TIME TO CURL UP WITH A BOOK

(In ebook or print), or make some popcorn and put on a dvd. The library is always hopping with people stocking up when a big storm is in the forecast.

In Muskegon, a "big storm" means big snow. We're all used to keeping on going during everyday "lake effect", but sometimes the weather is so bad we close the library to keep everybody safe. Check to make sure before setting out when the weather is really awful. The library doesn't necessarily close when Muskegon Public Schools closes.

There is a drop box for library books in the alley behind the library, on the edge of the parking lot right next to St. Paul's church. It's on the driver's side so it's easy to use without having to get out of the car (not like at the Post Office). The library drop box is dark brown, so that it looks nice and historic next to these old buildings, and is labeled "Library Books". It's emptied several times a day. If the library is closed for one day, we back date the books you've returned to the book drop for one day.

Getting cabin fever? Come out to one of the great programs for children or adults described in this issue of the newsletter. A visit to the library is free and a great indoor way to spend some time in the winter.

Thank you to all for voting in November to complete the repairs and renovations of the Hackley Library and Torrent House buildings. We're working behind the scenes to get ready for the construction season. The library is 125 years old in 2015 and still loved, used and worth it.

Marty Ferriby, Library Director