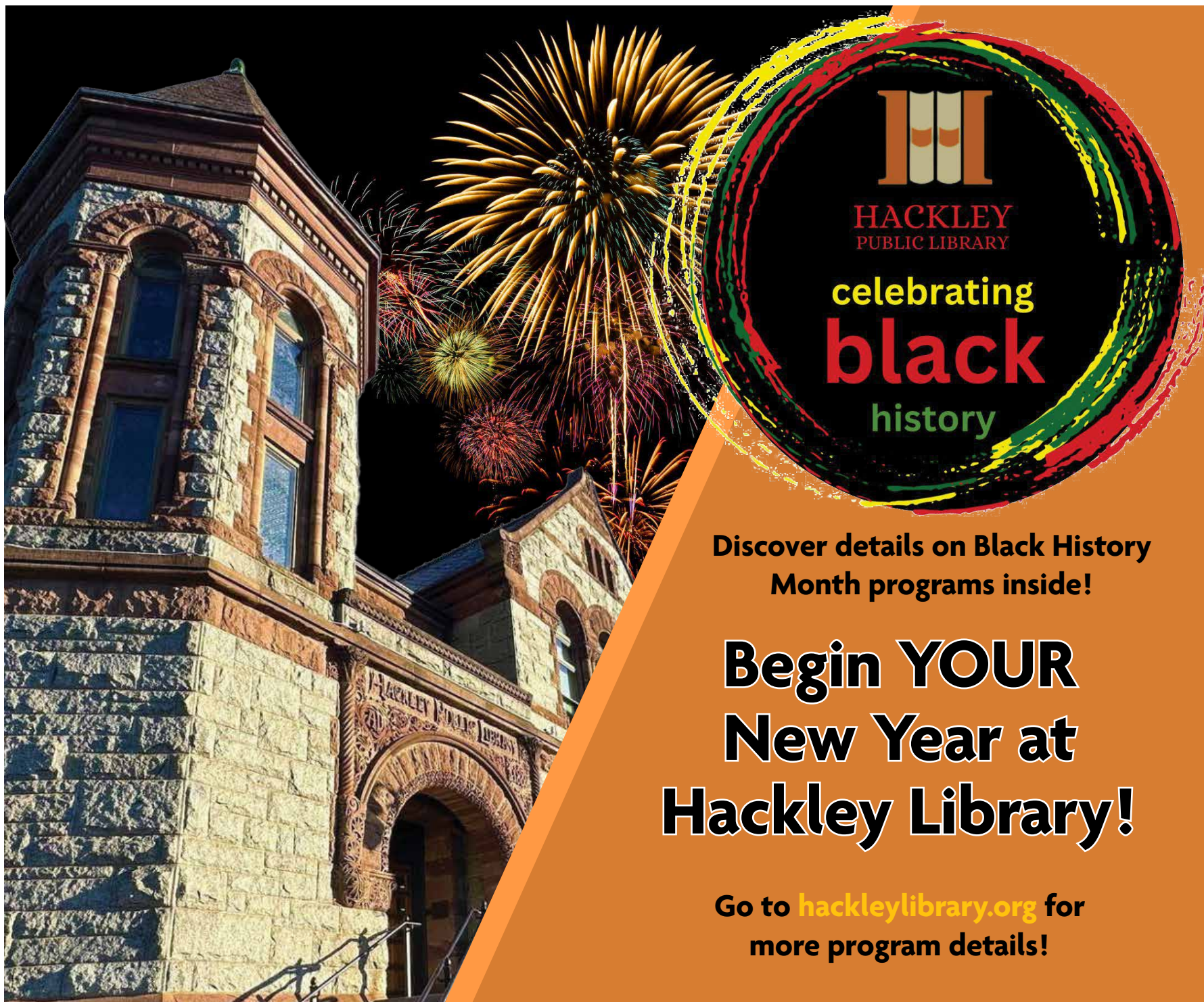




HACKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

JAN-MAR 2024



Discover details on Black History Month programs inside!

**Begin YOUR
New Year at
Hackley Library!**

Go to hackleylibrary.org for more program details!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Some adult programs ask for registration.
Find details on the online events calendar at hackleylibrary.org.

BOOKS ON TAP AT PIGEON HILL

JANUARY 9, FEBRUARY 13, MARCH 12, 6:00 PM

Join HPL and MADL staff for an evening book discussion each month over a beverage at Pigeon Hill Brewery. Find more details at hackleylibrary.org.



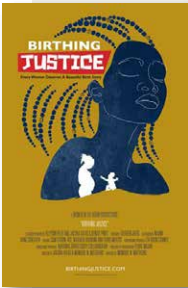
Left to Write

2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 3:30-4:30 PM

Led by HPL librarian Amelia, participate in writing exercises, and meet other creative writers. Writers of all experiences are welcome! Remember to bring a pen and paper.

BIRTHING JUSTICE DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 5:00-7:00 PM



Meant to bring more awareness on the topic of infant mortality rates, *Birthing Justice* is a documentary that shares the stories of Black women, their babies, and the fight against a broken system. There will be a small panel discussion as well. This free showing is courtesy of Every Woman's Place in collaboration with PBS.

HISTORICAL INSTRUMENTS

WITH FRANK GALANTE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 5:30-6:30 PM

Please join us for a night of multicultural music history with Frank Galante. Be swept away to the Spanish Renaissance, to raw blues moments to the melodies of the lute. It will be a memorable experience of unique and obscure sounds. Registration preferred.



NEW YEAR, NEW YOGA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 3:00-4:00 PM



Start the year off right by doing yoga at the library! Registration required.

SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 3:00-4:00 PM

An afternoon for seniors to socialize, enjoy light refreshments, and play some games together.



Registration preferred.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH KICKOFF

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 6:00-7:00 PM



Kick-off Black History Month with a glorious evening of music, as well as enjoy a praise dance & vignettes of Black History. Registration preferred.

BHM - TRIVIA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2:00-3:00 PM

Gather a team of up to four, and test your knowledge on Black history, including local history! Registration is highly preferred.



BHM - OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 6:00-7:00 PM

Embrace a night of sweet poetry, and come to share a favorite poem, or poetry you have written. Registration preferred.

BHM - MAC & CHEESE COOK OFF & SWEET SOUL FOOD DESSERT CONTEST

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2:00-3:00 PM & 3:30-4:30 PM

Test your skills with soul food during these tasty contests! Participate in the mac & cheese cook-off, the dessert contest, or BOTH! Registration is required.



BHM - EBONY ROAD PLAYERS PRESENTS THE MOUNTAINTOP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2:00-4:00 PM

The Mountaintop is a two-person drama about the last day of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Registration preferred. For ages 18+.



BLACK HAIR CARE CLINIC

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 6:00-7:00 PM

Presented by expert Nietra Hood, you'll discover helpful tips and tricks to beautiful and healthy black hair! Bring any questions you may have! Registration preferred.

FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER BOOK DISCUSSION

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 5:00-6:00 PM

Join us for a book discussion of this year's Great Michigan Read: *Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley. Be the first 20 to sign up to receive a free copy of the book! Made possible by Michigan Humanities. Registration required.



JAP-THOMPSON DUO

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 5:30-6:30 PM

The Jap-Thompson Duo consists of Letitia Jap on violin and Kyle Thompson on guitar. They promise a remarkable night of music, eclectic and meticulously crafted to highlight their unique harmony of violin and guitar. Registration preferred. Free.



AMERICAN TRUE CRIME: SEARCHING FOR PATTY HEARST

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 5:30-6:30 PM

Explore the captivating and controversial story of Patty Hearst, an American heiress whose life took a dramatic turn after she was kidnapped. How did Hearst transform from a kidnap victim to a participant in SLA activities like bank robberies? Local author of *Searching for Patty Hearst*, Roger D. Rapoport, will be presenting one of the most infamous kidnappings of the 20th century. Registration preferred.



CHAIR YOGA

FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 1:00-2:00 PM




Chair yoga is designed to bring benefits of yoga accessible to individuals who may face mobility challenges or prefer a seated practice. Gentle movements, stretches, and breath work, all performed from the comfort of a chair. Free. Registration preferred.

REGISTER FOR EVENTS AT HACKLEYLIBRARY.ORG

Adult Hackley Crafts schedule: see page eight.

HACKLEY PROGRAMS CALENDAR

A quick glance for all HPL programs and events.

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program departments: **A** = adult, **T** = teen, **Y** = youth, and **ALL** = all ages

JANUARY

- Y-T** | **DIAMOND ART**
2:00 PM, JANUARY 3
- Y** | **STORY TIME**
10:30 AM Fridays
- Y** | **DIVERSE STORYTIMES**
10:30 AM Select Fridays
- T** | **SOLDERING FOR TWEENS AND TEENS**
BY APPOINTMENT, JANUARY 5
- T** | **PAINT AND SIP**
2:00 PM, JANUARY 6
- Y-T** | **TAKE AND MAKES**
Available JANUARY 8
- Y** | **PAWS AND READ**
4:00 PM Select Mondays
- A** | **BIRTHING JUSTICE DOCUMENTARY SCREENING**
5:00 PM, JANUARY 9
- A** | **LEFT TO WRITE (ONGOING)**
3:30 PM, JANUARY 10
- A** | **BOOKS ON TAP**
6:00 PM, JANUARY 9
- A** | **HISTORICAL INSTRUMENTS**
WITH FRANK GALANTE
5:30 PM, JANUARY 12
- A** | **AMERICAN TRUE CRIME**
5:30 PM, JANUARY 17
- Y-T** | **CRAFTERNOON**
2:00 PM, JANUARY 20

JANUARY

- Y-T** | **POKEMON: THE CARD GAME**
1:00 PM, JANUARY 27
- T** | **TEEN CRAFT**
3:30 PM, JANUARY 22
- A** | **NEW YEAR, NEW YOGA**
3:00 PM, JANUARY 24
- A** | **SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR**
3:00 PM, JANUARY 25
- ALL** | **BLACK HISTORY MONTH KICKOFF**
6:00 PM, JANUARY 29

FEBRUARY

- Y-T** | **TAKE AND MAKES**
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- Y** | **STORY TIME**
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- A** | **TRIVIA**
2:00 PM, FEBRUARY 3
- A** | **OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT**
6:00 PM, FEBRUARY 5
- ALL** | **COOK OFF & DESSERT CONTEST**
2:00 & 3:30 PM, FEBRUARY 10
- T** | **TEEN CRAFT**
3:00 PM, FEBRUARY 12
- A** | **BOOKS ON TAP**
6:00 PM, FEBRUARY 13

FEBRUARY

- A** | **THE MOUNTAINTOP DRAMA**
2:00 PM, FEBRUARY 24
- Y** | **1, 2, 3 PLAY WITH ME**
10:00 AM Select Wednesdays
- A** | **BLACK HAIR CARE CLINIC**
6:00 PM, FEBRUARY 26
- Y-T** | **LEAP DAY CRAFTERNOON**
3:00 PM, FEBRUARY 29

MARCH


- Y-T** | **TAKE AND MAKES**
Available MARCH 4
- Y** | **STORY TIME**
10:30 AM Select Fridays
- Y** | **FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER BOOK DISCUSSION**
A | 5:00 PM, MARCH 5
- PAWS AND READ**
4:00 PM Select Mondays
- Y** | **JAP-THOMPSON DUO**
A | 5:30 PM, MARCH 8
- BOOKS ON TAP**
A | 6:00 PM, MARCH 12
- T** | **LLAMA DESTROYS THE WORLD PARTY**
2:00 PM, MARCH 16
- A** | **CHAIR YOGA**
1:00 PM, MARCH 22
- T** | **TEEN CRAFT**
3:30 PM, MARCH 25

PRESCHOOL
STORY TIME
FRIDAYS
at 10:30AM
**(There won't be Storytime
 March 8 & 29)*

Intended for ages 0-5, our in-person storytime is designed to teach early literacy skills to parents and caregivers while children enjoy a fun, interactive atmosphere. We'll read stories, sing songs, and do movement activities! Please check our Facebook page for any cancellations.


JANUARY & FEBRUARY STORYTIMES
JANUARY 5, 12, 19, 26 ■ FEBRUARY 2, 9, 16, 23

Join us for a special series of diverse storytimes made possible with funds awarded by the Michigan Department of Education Office of Great Start to the Muskegon Area ISD! Each young participant will receive a copy of one of the books we will read each week. Learn and grow during these eight sessions with reading, music, and movement!




PAWS AND READ WITH BREEZY & DOLLY
JANUARY 8 & 22, FEBRUARY 5 & 26,
MARCH 11 & 25, 4:00-5:00 PM

We have two four-legged reading helpers in Youth Services!! Practice and strengthen literacy skills by reading out loud to our friendly therapy dogs who are calm, non judgmental listeners. They're excited to hear all the stories – and receive all the belly rubs. Please call 231-722-8014 to register for a 20 minute time slot. Ages 3-12.




DIAMOND ART
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2:00-3:30 PM

Enjoy a relaxing start to the new year with a new craft project. Want to try out diamond art? Or are you already a pro? Discover what you can create! This is a drop-in, casual activity for youth ages 9+ with their adults.



SOLDERING FOR TWEENS AND TEENS
FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 BY APPOINTMENT

Interested in tackling one of the library's soldering projects? We have three different kits: a light-up beetle, a flickering flame, and a flashlight. These beginner level kits are great to help learn how to solder or to practice soldering. Each soldering session is by appointment only. There is a limited amount of sessions. Please call Youth Services to schedule 231-722-8014. This program is open to 12 years and up. Adult supervision is encouraged.



PAINT AND SIP
SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2:00-3:30 PM

This teen (ages 13 - 17) program combines a love of art and a love of delicious drinks! Join us in the programming room to create a canvas and some fun mocktails!




JANUARY TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS
AVAILABLE JANUARY 8

CLAY YOU, CLAY ME, CLAY IS FOREVER!
 Your imagination is all you need for this "create your own" air dry clay kit! We will provide the clay and some interesting ideas for magnets, jewelry, and other possible projects - you provide the fun!

CRAFTERNOON - BOOKMARK THE SPOT!
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2:00-3:30 PM

We are throwing open the craft cabinets to make bookmarks! Participate in our Winter Reading Program and join us to make a special bookmark (or 2!) to keep your spot in your favorite winter read!



TEEN CRAFT - KNOT ON MY WATCH!

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 3:30-4:30 PM

Get knotty in the Teen Room with other crafters who like to knit, crochet, macrame, sew, embroider... bring your projects and let's hang out. A small supply of yarn, macrame cord, embroidery floss, fabric will be provided with limited instruction.



**POKEMON:
THE CARD GAME –
TUTORIAL WITH THE
GRIFFIN'S REST**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1:00-4:00 PM

Interested in learning more about this popular card game? Staff from The Griffin's Rest will be on hand to teach you how to play and build your own decks. There will be free Pokémon promotional items for all attendees. Free. Ages 6+

1, 2, 3 PLAY WITH ME WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 27, 10:00-11:15 AM

This five-week workshop at Hackley Public Library connects families with community resource professionals on a variety of topics including: early literacy, nutrition, child development, speech and language skills, and music/movement. Children and adults are invited to play and learn in this relaxed environment. Free. Ages 1-4. Please plan on attending all five weeks. Registration is required either over the phone at 231-722-8014 or online at hackleylibrary.org/events-calendar/.

FEBRUARY TAKE & MAKE CRAFT KITS

AVAILABLE JANUARY 29

UNITY QUILT CRAFT SQUARE

Learn a little about the rich history of textile making in Africa and how those roots manifested in African American quilting traditions in a display in the Youth Services Department. Our quilt square take and make is available throughout the month. Complete your square and bring it back to add to our Unity Quilt which will be on display all month long!



MARCH TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS

AVAILABLE MARCH 4

MARCH IS READING MONTH!!!!

March is reading month so let's go ahead and make our own books. But wait, you don't have a bookmark to go into that book, well then make a bookmark too! We will have book and bookmark take and makes available while supplies last.

MARCH IS READING MONTH

LLAMA DESTROYS THE WORLD PARTY!

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2:00-3:00 PM

Will Llama actually destroy the world? You'll have to come to our reading party to find out! We'll read the book and then do our own activities inspired by Miss Lydia's favorite picture book.

TEEN CRAFT - WOOD BURNING & SOLDERING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 3:00-5:00 PM

Registration is required to do wood burning and/or soldering. We have special soldering kits available and wood to create your own special wood burning design. Appointments are necessary for this in person program.



TEEN CRAFT - JOURNALS FOR EVERYONE!

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 3:30-4:30 PM

In honor of reading month, we will be making our very own journals to write down our stories! This in-person program will be in our Teen Room on the main floor of the library. Join us for chatting and crafting our very own books!

LEAP DAY CRAFTERNOON

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 3:00-4:30 PM

Leap into 2024 with a special leaping frog craft that you can make in the Youth Services Department. But wait! Leaping means that we've got an extra day this year, which means an extra day for having fun at the Library! We will be using all of our "extra" materials from our craft kits of yore on this special "extra" day in 2024!

Have you explored around the Torrent House, which houses HPL's Local History & Genealogy Department?

Here you'll find access to thousands of resources. Interested in researching your roots or family tree? Here you can begin navigating ancestry databases and family history research tools. Maybe you're interested in learning about our communities and Muskegon's rich history! Look no further than the Torrent House,

where you can locate archives and records from Muskegon newspapers, dive into local research, and discover something new. If you've never used a Microfilm machine, our staff is happy to help show you how!



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Jan. 12-20, 2024
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Feb. 9-24, 2024
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HACKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
celebrating **black** history

Gospel KICK-OFF Event
6:00 - 7:00pm
Monday, January 29
at Hackley Library

black history Trivia Contest
2:00 - 3:00pm
Saturday, February 3
at Hackley Library

open mic POETRY Night
6:00 - 7:00pm
Monday, February 5
at Hackley Library

Mac & CHEESE Contest
2:00 - 3:00pm
Saturday, February 10
at Hackley Library

Sweet Soul Food DESSERT Contest
3:30 - 4:30pm
Saturday, February 10
at Hackley Library

Black Hair CARE Clinic
6:00 - 7:00pm
Monday, February 26
at Hackley Library

Ebony Road Players present The Mountaintop Theater Performance
2:00 - 3:00pm
Saturday, February 24
at Hackley Library
For ages 18+.

Find more details at hackleylibrary.org

BHM programs are made possible through a generous bequest from Bess Commodore.

You've got questions? We've got answers!

Hackley Library offers several resources and services, including helpful staff!

HPL's service desks are covered by clerks, tech assistants, and librarians who are here to help in any way they can. Whether it be help with finding new materials, information on programs, or help with technology, we are here for you. Speaking of technology, did you know that HPL offers digital resources where you can stream videos, read or listen to digital books, and more, all for FREE using your Hackley Library card? You can! These digital resources include Hoopla, Kanopy, and Libby by OverDrive. If you're interested in getting started with any of these digital resources but aren't certain where to begin, visit one of the service desks and we'll be happy to help you get started! Keep in mind, HPL also has iPads, internet hotspots, and Roku to check out from the library, all for FREE using your Hackley Library card.



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MAIN LIBRARY HOURS

**Hours are subject to change*

MONDAY - TUESDAY: 9 AM - 7 PM
WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY: 9 AM - 5 PM
TORRENT HOUSE: TUES-SAT: 10-5PM

ADULT HACKLEY CRAFTS

All adult Hackley Crafts require registration, and will open one month before each program date.

JAN

FELT BIRD BOOKMARK

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 5:00-6:30 PM

Create a cute birdy bookmark for your latest new reads. Registration is required.

FEB

PAPER LANTERN

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 5:00-6:30 PM

Celebrate the Lunar New Year by creating a custom paper lantern! Registration is required.

MAR

BOOK WREATH

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 5:00-6:30 PM

Put together a lovely wreath made out of book pages and embellishments. Registration is required.

REGISTER AT HACKLEYLIBRARY.ORG

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

I am pleased to provide a brief update on the remarkable progress of our Torrent House building project. Our dedicated team has successfully completed a thorough research project to understand our community's needs better, employing various methods, including surveys, interviews, and information-gathering sessions.

We distributed a survey to various libraries and nonusers. We organized four information-gathering sessions involving the Friends of the Library, library staff, board members, neighborhood associations, and other community members. The valuable insights collected from these efforts have been meticulously compiled into a well-organized report, serving as the foundation for establishing goals to renovate the Torrent House.

While we are not yet ready to unveil the specific plans, I am confident you will be thrilled to learn about the exciting developments we have in store for the Torrent House. The following steps involve finalizing the plans and developing a detailed building plan to assess anticipated costs.

Once the building plan is in place, we will initiate a feasibility study to determine how much we can raise for the project. Subsequently, we will adjust our plans based on the feasibility findings before embarking on the fundraising process.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support and enthusiasm for this project. Your involvement is vital as we work towards enhancing our community space. Stay tuned for further updates on our journey.



Joe Zappacosta
Director,
Hackley Public Library



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