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Book Club

The Hartford Book Club meets every third Monday of the month at 6:30PM to discuss a book which is selected by the members. It is very casual and is held at the Library. If you are interested, please notify the staff and the book will be supplied through Mel Cat for your use.

Upcoming Books for Winter 2018

- January**
"In the Shadow of the Banyan"
By Vaddey Ratner
- February**
"The Boy in the Snow"
By M.J. McGrath
- March**
"The Alice Network"
By Kate Quinn
- April**
"Manhattan Beach"
By Jennifer Egan

Hartford Public Library Board of Directors

The Hartford Library Board meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at the Library. Board meetings are open to the public.

President- James Jonatzke	Treasurer- Ellen Friday
Vice-President - Faith Dowd	Trustee- Marcia Kelley
Secretary- Linda Hadley	Trustee- Susan Hall

DID YOU KNOW?

- The library provides many services for the community.**
- *Books and other materials
 - *DVD Movie Club
 - *16 Public Access Computers
 - *Wi-Fi (wireless internet)
 - *Children's programs
 - *Book Club
 - *Copies (20¢ for black and white 50¢ color)
 - *Faxes (\$1.00 for first page and 50¢ for each additional page. 50¢ per page for incoming faxes.)
 - *Free music and book downloads.
 - *MEL: An inter-loan library service

The Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Hartford Public Library hold their meetings the last Monday of each month, except for January & December. The meetings are held in the library at 6:30PM. **Everyone is welcome to join!** For more information please visit our website:
www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org



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Holiday Round up

The Hartford Public Library partnered with The Hartford Lions Club and The Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce to create an unforgettable Christmas in Hartford Celebration. The festivities started on December 9th @ 6pm with a lighted parade down Main St. in Hartford. After the parade many residents met at the library to receive free pictures with Santa, brought to them by the Hartford Lions Club. Everyone also enjoyed the festival of trees and the many Dr. Seuss themed decorations throughout the library. Free refreshments were served and the Lego Christmas Village was a big hit. The Hartford Area

Chamber of Commerce had a free drawing for four \$50 gift cards to Harding's Market and the winners were contacted. This event was a great success and we look forward to many more community events in the

future. Thank you to all who participated and to The Hartford Lions Club and The Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce for making the event a great success!



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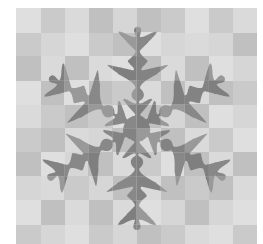
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Director's Corner

The Hartford Library hosted two events this Fall: the annual Halloween Festival and Christmas in Hartford Celebration. Our annual Halloween Festival brought over 200 people to the library for games and prizes. We are looking to move the event to larger venue so that we can have more games, crafts and entertainment. The Christmas in Hartford Celebration was attended by 200 adults and children. The pictures with Santa were adorable. We want to thank the Hartford Lion's club for having Santa stop by and providing free pictures. We wish to thank all participants in the annual

Christmas parade. We are sponsoring a Teen Film Festival. Teens ages 12-18 who attend Hartford schools may submit a 10 minute film about Hartford, MI or the Hartford Public Library. The program begins on Monday, Jan. 15th and all submissions are due Feb. 26th at the library. Prizes will be awarded on March 7th. Information is available on the library website, Facebook and brochures. Also we are part of the Van Buren County Teen Creative Writing Challenge which begins on Feb. 1st with a Kick-Off Pizza Party at the library at 3:30pm. Information is available on the library website, Facebook and at

the library. If you have a Hartford library card and the internet at home, you can browse Hoopla.com for movies, TV shows, ebooks, comics, audiobooks and graphic novels and download for free up to 10 items a month. Easy to use and immediate downloads. Please see our events calendar, website and Facebook page for additional information.



Spring Break

Movies

All movies start @ 2pm

March 30

“Lego Ninjago Movie: Find Your Inner Piece”

PG (90 min.)

April 2

“Moana” PG

(113 min)

April 3

“My Little Pony: The Movie”

PG (99 min.)

April 4

“Cars 3”

G (109 min.)

April 5

“The Lego Batman Movie”

PG (104 min.)

April 6

“The Nut Job 2: Nutty by Nature”

PG (91 min.)

All movies subject to change.

Winter Wonders

Winter is in full swing and the Library continues to be a place for everyone to keep busy for this cold weather season. Our DVD club is a great bargain. You pay only \$10 a year and are able to check out four movies for seven days. We have a great selection of movies, TV series and documentaries. Stop on by and check them out.

As always the library offers free books for check out. Come by the library, get a library card and see what other free resources we offer. On February 14 we will host a

Valentine Party at 4:00pm. Join us for activities, food and fun! Teen Tech week is March 5-9. The library will hold a Teen Film Festival competition. All videos will be about Hartford, MI or the Hartford Public Library. The start date will begin January 15 with entries due February 26. The library will have a showing of the videos March 7th at 5pm. Prizes will be awarded. All rules, regulations and application can be found on our website: www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org For the first time Hartford

Public Library will join the Van Buren District Libraries and others in the Van Buren County Teen Creative Writing Challenge. All information about this event can be found on our website: www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org **Reminder:** Please check our Facebook page for weather related cancelations and closings.



Spring Surprises

Spring Break will be here soon and the Library will offer free movies and popcorn. All movies start @ 2pm. Other activities this Spring include our ongoing program STEAM. This program offers hands on learning that promotes Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. The

STEAM program is held the first and third Wednesday of each month from 4-6pm. Each Wednesday throughout the school year. Each child who builds two projects will receive a free prize! Reminder that Children’s Story Time is each Wednesday at 10:30 am with a story, activity

and play time. April 17, 2018 at 6pm the Library will host a History in Hartford event with speaker Bob Latus.



LOOK WHAT IS FREE AT YOUR LIBRARY!

You can access all of these free services through links on our website:

www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org

hoopla Instantly borrow free digital movies, music, eBooks and more, 24/7 with your library card.

OverDrive Southwest Michigan Digital Library is your 24/7 library. Download e-books, audio books and videos for free.

MeLCat The Inter-Library Loan is referred to as MeLCat. It is a statewide network of Michigan libraries sharing books, DVDs, Music and more with each other. Patrons can submit requests at the local Library or through their own computer with “MeLCat” or mel.org.

Hartford Day Spring Newspaper Follow the link on our website to search the “Hartford Day Spring Newspaper” 1887-1972. Find obituaries and old news articles from the past. Enjoy a trip down memory lane or learn more about the history of our area.

Computer Lab All are welcome to the computer lab at Hartford Public Library. We have 16 public access computers. It is free to use the computers and they are open to the public. Children under 18 years old will need a signed parent permission slip to use our computers. All of our computers have printing capabilities. There is a fee for printing from computers: 20¢ for black and white and 50¢ for color. You can ask a librarian for a list of current internet policies.

January 2018					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8	9 Library Board Meeting @ 7PM	10 Story Time 10:30am	11	12	13
15 Book Club @ 6:30pm Teen Film Competition Begins	16	17 Story Time 10:30am STEAM 4-6pm	18	19	20
22	23	24 Story Time 10:30am	25	26	27
29 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm	30	31 Story Time 10:30am STEAM 4-6pm			
February 2018					
			1 VB County Teen Creative Writing Challenge Begins Pizza Party @ 3:30	2	3
5	6	7 Story Time 10:30am STEAM 4-6pm	8	9	10
12	13 Library Board Meeting @ 7PM	14 Story Time 10:30am Valentine’s Party @ 4PM	15	16	17
19 Book Club @ 6:30pm	20	21 Story Time 10:30am STEAM 4-6pm	22	23	24
26 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm Teen Film Entries due	27	28 Story Time 10:30am			
March 2018					
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5	6	7 Story Time 10:30am Teen Film Festival Viewing @ 5PM	8	9	10
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26 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm	27	28 Story Time 10:30am	29	30	31
April 2018					
2 Movie Day @ 2PM	3 Movie Day @ 2PM	4 Movie Day @ 2PM STEAM 4-6pm	5 Movie Day @ 2PM	6 Movie Day @ 2PM	7
9	10 Library Board Meeting @ 7PM	11 Story Time 10:30am	12	13	14 All VBC Teen Creative Writing Challenge Entries Due!
16 Book Club @ 6:30pm	17 History of Hartford @ 6pm	18 Story Time 10:30am STEAM 4-6pm	19	20	21
23	24	25	26	27	28 Harry Potter Scavenger Hunt @ 11am
30 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm	May 1, 2018 VBC Creative Writing Contest winners announced.				