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We're on the web: www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org



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 MelCat for your use.

<u>Due to the Interloan Library</u> system not operating there will not be a book club until Sept. 2020</u>



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 Vice-President - Faith Dowd Secretary- Linda Hadley Treasurer- Ellen Friday
Trustee- Vacant
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.)
*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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Summer 2020

Library & Community Center Becoming A Reality



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Hours

Mon.—Fri.

10 AM-5 PM

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We began building the Arthur & Bonna Vanderlyn Community Center/Hartford Public Library in October, 2019. The project was ahead of schedule due to the mild winter months. Then the pandemic hit and progress was halted. We were able to get back to work in May. Even with the delays and back orders on materials, we are making progress. We expect to move into the library in mid to late August.

It is with deep sadness, our principle donor, Bonna Vanderlyn passed away on May 5, 2020, but I know she is with us every day. Without her support, this project would not have become a reality. The Hartford community was fortunate in having such a wonderful, giving person. Kil Architecture and CPM Construction have done a wonderful job overseeing the construction of the new building.

The new library will offer fast internet connection anywhere in the building. The new children's center has been graciously funded by the Pokagon Fund. It will contain two children's literacy computers including one in Spanish/English. We will be introducing a Literacy Playtable where as many as six children can play computer games at one time. We have a designated Teen Library, where teens can meet and communicate online, complete homework or socialize. The Computer Lab has its own area away from the main area of the library. It is perfect for research, communication, gaming, online courses and internet exploration. One of the newest additions is our Makerspace room which will contain the 3D printer, computer, Lego building, crafts and STEAM related materials. This area is open to children and adults for creative projects. We also have a special room available for tutoring. There are quiet reading areas around the fireplace for patrons.

We are fortunate to have the Van Buren Regional Genealogical Society joining us in our new building. Their collection is one of the finest in southwest Michigan. Staff will be on-hand to assist anyone in their research.

The new meeting room is the greatest of all features. It is perfect for meetings, small get togethers, parties, presentations and events. The large room can be divided into two smaller venues. There is a small kitchenette area and coat rack in each room. The media accessories will be available at a future date.

The present building at 15 Franklin street is for sale. If anyone is interested, please contact Joe Flood or us for details.

The library re-opened on June 8th following CDC and Health department guidelines. Everyone needs to wear a mask and we have them available. We can only allow 4 people on the computers at one time due to social distancing. The Children's Summer Reading program has begun. We encourage all children to register for summer reading and read library books to win prizes. Our prize room is still available upstairs in the library. We have sticker sheets and crafts for takehome projects. The last day for the summer reading program is July 17, 2020.

Be safe and have a great summer!

Stephanie Daniels HPL Director

Summer Reading Fun 2020

Summer Reading looks different this year. We are sad to say there will not be any programs this year. But not to worry, you can still read and earn book bucks. Stop in to the library Mon. —Fri. 10 am—5 pm and sign up for the reading program. Summer reading begins June 8th and runs until July 17th. The last day to turn in reading logs is July 17th and the last day to redeem book bucks in July 20th.



NOTICE: Due to the pandemic there will be no Interloan library service until further notice.

WHAT IS FREE AT YOUR LIBRARY?

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

www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org

Hartford Day Spring Newspaper Archives 1877-1972







June				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	6
8 Summer Reading Begins	9 Library Board Meeting @ 7pm	10	11	12
15 Book Buck Store Opens	16	17	28	19
22	23	24	25	26
July				
29	30	1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14 Library Board Meeting @ 7pm	15	16	17 Last day to turn in reading logs
20 Last day for book buck store	21	22	23	24
27 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm	28	29	30	31
August				
3	4	5	6	7
10	11 Library Board Meeting @ 7pm	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31 FOTL Meeting @ 6:30pm				