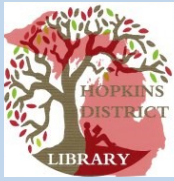


HDL Happenings



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News flash:

- We have electronic magazines which you can access using your computer, tablet or smartphone. Drop in to ask how.

Did you know:

- ◆ We have DVDs! And rent them out for free?
- ◆ We have free ebooks?
- ◆ And e-audio books?
- ◆ We always take book and program requests!
- ◆ You can attend an ancestry in the library tutorial upon request
- ◆ We offer free computer assistance?
- ◆ We have groups and clubs that meet here and you can join them any time?
- ◆ We want you to come in and check us out!

Bring it back: hands on skills at the library

Hopkins District Library is excited to bring you a series of programs that bring down to earth skills back into your homes. We are able to do these programs through the generosity of the Allegan County Community Foundation. The grant we received from them is allowing us to bring you a series of four (or more) programs here at Hopkins and the same (or more!) at Dorr.

Hopkin's series kicks off with plumbing class on the first Monday in November. In this class, Lameyer Plumbing out of Dorr will bring in their expert experience to show you several basic skills, including how to keep your drains clean, what to do with a leaking faucet, and if we're lucky, how to install a new a faucet all on your own.

Next we welcome back Dancing Crane Soaps & Sundries for a new kind of luxurious do-it-yourself product. This time we'll get to make our own lotions!

Ever wanted to make your own

salsa but didn't know how? Well here's your opportunity to learn from an expert. Here at Hopkins we'll explore what goes into making salsa and then try it out for ourselves — then hop on over to Dorr to try your hand at Jellies and Jams.

We'll finish off our series with some basic electrical., basic butchering, and the basics of mechanics—learn how to wire a new outlet. Learn what to buy from the butcher if you want to make something specific. Or take a refresher on how to keep your car in tip-top shape right before winter!

We also want to say a hearty thank you Allegan County Community Foundation for allowing us the opportunity to bring these programs to you. We hope you'll join us in saying thank you. Please come to one (or all) of the classes to learn something new or to refresh yourself on a long-forgotten skill.

Again!?!

Thank you, everyone, for the overwhelming response to some of our programs, especially the reversible scarecrow/snowman. To accommodate as many people as we've had add their names to the wait, we are holding two extra classes for

those already signed up. If the people on the waitlist are unable to attend either of the available dates, we will open up the remaining spots to the rest of the public. At publication, we have 5 openings remaining.

On that note, please

continue to let us know when you really want to do something despite the class being full. If there is enough interest, we may be able to hold the class a second time to accommodate more people.

Upcoming Events!

November

1st (6pm) — Reversible Snowman/Scarecrow
(sign ups closed for this date)
4th (9am) — Hunter's Safety at Dorr Township
Library
6th (6pm) — Basic Plumbing
8th (6pm) — Lotion Making
14th (1pm) — Quilt Club
15th (6pm) — Reversible Snowman/Scarecrow
(sign ups open for this date)
15th (7pm) — Book Club
20th (6pm) — Wood Slice Owls
23-26th — Closed for Thanksgiving Weekend
27th — Tea Cup Candles
28th (1pm) — Quilt Club
29th (5pm) — Salsa Making

December

4th (6pm) — Holiday Wine Glass Candle Holders
12th (1pm) — Quilt Club
13th (6pm) — Homemade Chocolates and Soup in
a Jar
18th (6pm) — Teddy Bear Towel Folding
20th (All Day) — Wrapping Station
22nd-25th — Closed for Christmas Holiday
26th (1pm) — Quilt Club
27th (6pm) — Decoupage Plates

January

1st — Closed for New Year

REMINDER: Our classes are subject to change so PLEASE keep an eye on Facebook or stop in frequently for updates.

Please Note: All these programs require sign up so please stop in at Hopkins Library or call 269-793-7516

Nearby Events:

**November 4—9am-1pm—Hunter's Safety at
Dorr Township Library**

**November 9—6pm—Soap-making with Danc-
ing Cranes Soaps and Sundries @Dorr
Township Library**

**November 30—6pm—Jellies and Jams @
Dorr Township Library**

**Please Note: All these programs require sign
up so please stop in at Dorr Library or call
616-681-9678.**

A great big thank you!

In early October, we had the wonderful opportunity to paint our walls to reflect all the light and fun within. We extend a thousand thanks to Allegan County United Way for their Day of Caring who coordinated this event for us and Rockwell Automation who lent their hands for a tough job. Stop on in to see our brightened interior as you checkout books, participate in our classes or just come in to say hello.

About our wrapping station

As we approach the holiday season, Hopkins Library is opening up our huge table to help you out. On the Wednesday before Christmas (December 20), bring in your gifts and wrapping supplies and use our space to wrap. Bring in friends or family members for the chance to chat and have a good time over your last minute tasks. You are welcome to come in any time between 10am and 8pm.

Did you know we are always interested in what you want to learn? Let us know! We want to schedule classes and buy materials that you want to use.