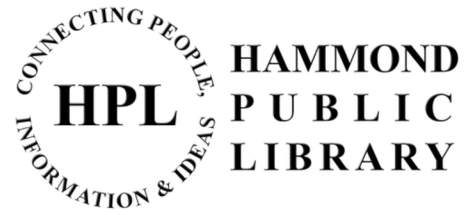


Bookends

January 2025



COMICS & COCOA

A WINTER READING ADVENTURE

JANUARY 1ST - JANUARY 31ST

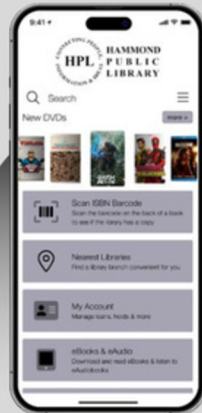


READ & WIN PRIZES!

Winter reading begins January 1st! ALL Ages can participate! Register, Read, and Win! See our prizes on page 4 and page 8!

HPL IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND

- Reserve Books Online
- Renew Items
- Self-Checkout
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- Digital Library Barcode



Launching January 6, 2025



Upcoming Closures

- The Hammond Public Library will be **CLOSED on Wednesday, January 1st**, for New Year's Day.
- The library will be **CLOSED on Monday, January 20th**, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Introducing the Hammond Public Library App!

We're thrilled to announce that HPL's new app will soon be available on the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. Scan the QR code to download the app. To learn more, simply turn the page!

Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9:00am-9:00pm
Friday & Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Sunday: Closed

(219) 931-5100

564 State St. Hammond, IN 46320

www.hammondlibrary.org

JANUARY AT YOUR LIBRARY

HAPPY 2025!

New Year, New Look, and New Things at HPL!

We're kicking off the new year with some exciting updates!

Library Card Makeover

Our library cards just got a stunning new look to ring in 2025!



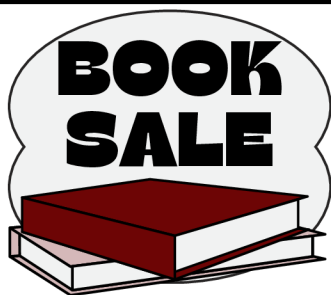
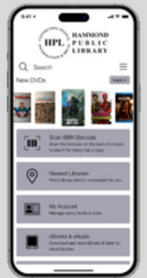
Bookends Sleek Update

Just like our cards, Bookend has had a mini makeover—now in sleek black to match the exciting new changes.

The Hammond Public Library App

Alongside this fresh design, we're thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new library app, coming January 6. Your card and app now work seamlessly together to give you even more convenient access to the library's resources.

Scan the QR code below to download the app, or check the next page for a deep dive into its features!



Friends of the Library **1/2 PRICE BOOK SALE**

Saturday, January 25th, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

MEETINGS

**HPL
FOUNDATION
MEETING**

**Tuesday,
January 7th, 10 a.m.**

**FRIENDS OF
THE LIBRARY
MEETING**

**Tuesday,
January 11th, 1 p.m.**

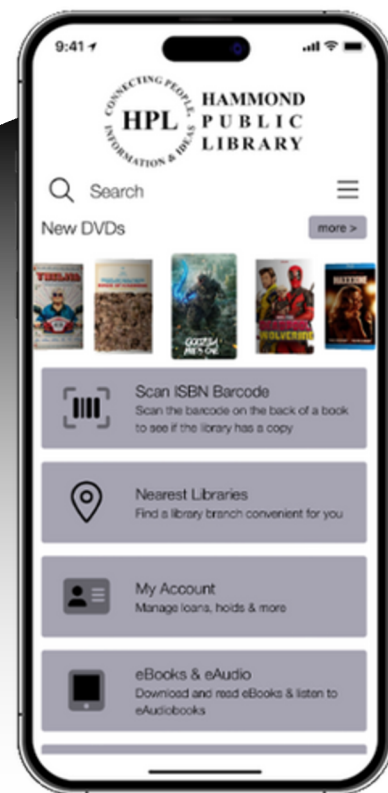
**BOARD OF
TRUSTEES
MEETING**

**Thursday,
January 16th, 12p.m.
(also virtual via Zoom)**

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HPL LOCATION

“Your Library Where You Are”



Location: 7300 block of Southeastern Avenue, Woodmar United Methodist Church parking lot in front of the OLD YMCA (7322 Southeastern Ave Hammond, IN 46324)

“Your Library Where You Are,” is our new 24/7 vending device designed to bring library materials closer to you. The device is user-friendly and operates with your library card, allowing you to browse a curated selection of 500 items, including youth and teen books, fiction and non-fiction, New York Times bestsellers, and Blu-rays/DVDs. You can check out materials, sign up for a library card, and access WiFi.

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Adult Computer Classes

We offer three computer classes to meet your needs, whether you're just starting or looking to advance your skills! See the Computer Classes brochure for the full class schedule and more information!

NEXT LEVEL COMPUTER SKILLS CLASSES

Mondays 7 PM - 8 PM

Next Level Computer Skills Classes January Schedule:

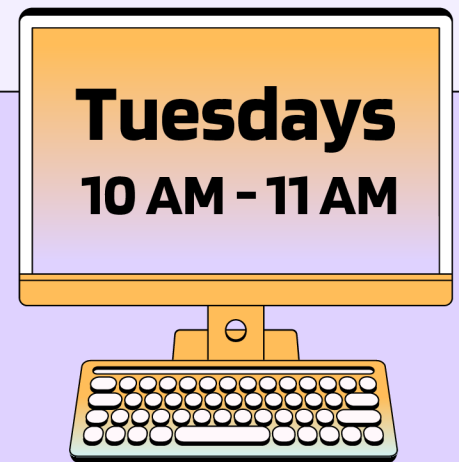
- **Jan 6:** Database Searching
- **Jan 13:** Personalize Your Computer
- **Jan 20:** No Class, Library Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- **Jan 27:** Keyboard Shortcuts



COMPUTER BASICS CLASSES

Computer Basics Class January Schedule:

- **Jan 7:** HPL Resources
- **Jan 14:** Introduction to Computers
- **Jan 21:** Mouse Features
- **Jan 28:** Windows Desktop



MICROSOFT OFFICE CLASSES

Thursdays 7 PM - 8 PM

Microsoft Office Classes January Schedule:

- **Jan 9:** Intro. to Microsoft 365
- **Jan 16:** MS Word: Text Formatting
- **Jan 23:** MS Word: Margins and Layout
- **Jan 30:** MS Word: Column and Tables



Adult Programs

Anime Social Club

January 2 & 16, 5pm - 6pm



Join fellow anime enthusiasts to share your love for anime and manga. Our club features screenings of classic and contemporary series, engaging discussions, and fun activities for all tastes. Enjoy snacks, games, and crafts while making new friends and exchanging recommendations!

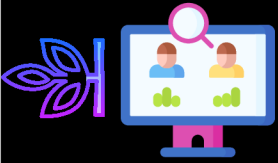


Crafterwork: Bath Bombs

January 7, 6pm - 7pm

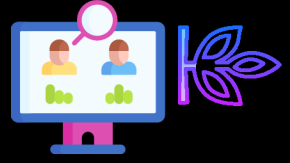


Join us in the community room for our monthly crafting event! This month, we're making bath bombs. Whether you're experienced or a beginner, it's a great way to unleash your creativity and relax. Create fabulous bath bombs and meet fellow crafters. Don't miss out!



HPL Heritage Hunters Club

January 8, 6:30pm - 8:30pm



Join Special Collections Manager Amanda Aguilera for a genealogy open lab program that allows patrons to utilize HPL's online genealogy resources, such as Ancestry.com and Family Search. Patrons are welcome to come at any time during the program hours to get basic assistance with their research.

Crafternoons: A Craft Workshop for Older Adults

December 9, 11 am - 12pm | Senior Citizens

You are invited to Crafternoons! Come meet up with other creatives to make a different craft each month. This month's craft is Vision Board Collages. Using mixed media we create vision boards for 2025.



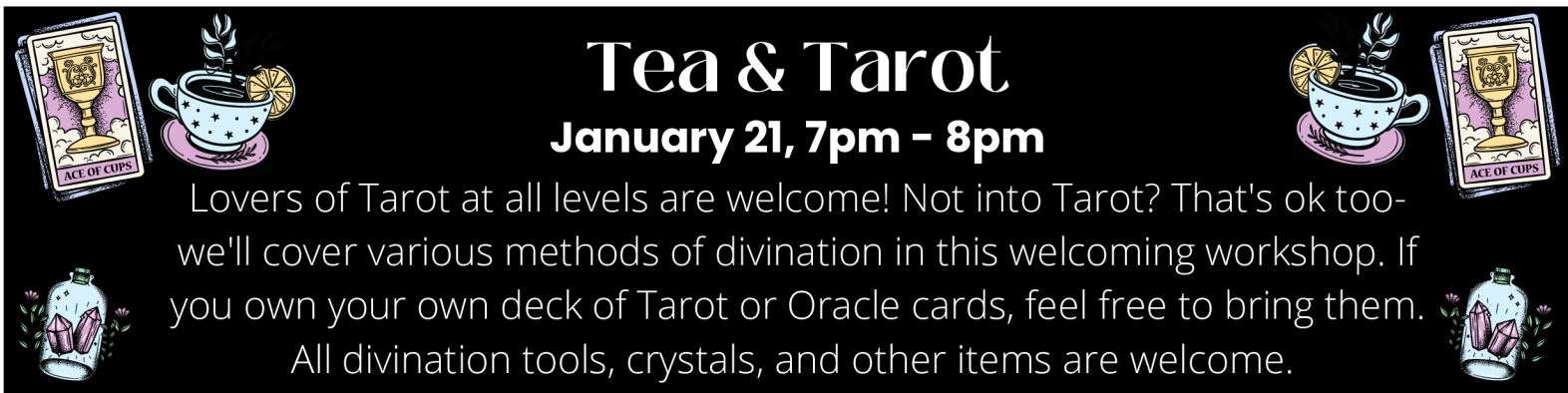
Stitch-by-Stitch

January 14 & January 28, 6pm - 7pm



Always wanted to try crochet? Join us for this beginner-friendly stitching program! We'll start with the basics: learn how to hold the crochet hook and working yarn and create your first chains. By the end of the class, you'll have the foundation to build more stitches and start simple projects. No prior experience needed—all supplies provided!

Perfect for adults who want to explore a new hobby!



Tea & Tarot
January 21, 7pm - 8pm

Lovers of Tarot at all levels are welcome! Not into Tarot? That's ok too- we'll cover various methods of divination in this welcoming workshop. If you own your own deck of Tarot or Oracle cards, feel free to bring them. All divination tools, crystals, and other items are welcome.

Be Heart Smart: Health Education with Purdue Extension

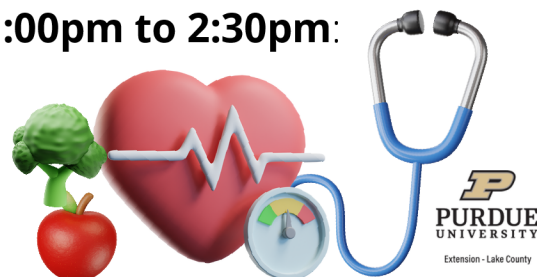
Purdue Extension has partnered with the Lake County Indiana Health Department to offer community-based health education programming this winter. According to health indicators for Lake County, obesity, heart health, and diabetes prevalence rank about the state average. There is a growing need for prevention, support, and health management assistance for residents living in our area. Purdue Extension presenter Linda Curley will meet on the following **Tuesdays from 1:00pm to 2:30pm:**

January 14: Be Heart Smart - Know Your Risks

January 21: Be Heart Smart - Know Your Numbers

January 28: Be Heart Smart - Heart Healthy Eating

February 4: Be Heart Smart - Take Action

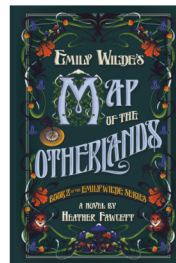


Book Clubs

ENCHANTED READS: A FANTASY BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, January 15th, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

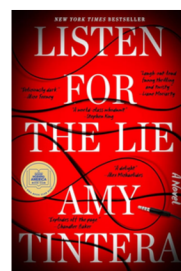
You are invited to read and discuss fantasy books! This month we are reading and discussing *Emily Wilde's Map of the Otherlands* by Heather Fawcett.



MENACING MYSTERIE: MYSTERY & SUSPENSE BOOK CLUB

Thursday, January 30th, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

You are invited to read and discuss fantasy books! This month we will be reading and discussing *Listen for the Lie* by Amy Tintera



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Youth & Teen Programs

Babies to Kindergarten

BABIES & TOTS

Ages 0-2

January 2, 16, & 30, 10:30am-11am

✨A story time to help your little one's mind grow!✨

Ages 3-5

NOW
OFFERING
TWO
TIMES!

LITTLE LISTENERS

January 6,
10:30am-11:30am
& 2pm-3pm

Stories, songs, and an activity
about alphabet!

ALL ABOUT ME-A SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING STORYTIME

January 15,
2:00pm to 2:30pm

Explore the theme of
Resilience with Miss Sally!

PLAY SMART STORYTIME

January 13 & 27,
2pm to 3pm

A fun, hands-on storytime! Join
us for interactive learning
through stories, songs, activities
and dramatic play!

NEW
PROGRAM

Families & Groups

HOME EDUCATION CLUB

January 8, 1:30pm-2:30pm | Families

Gibson Woods will be bringing the outdoors inside! Join us and put your detective skills to the test! Can you identify the winter animals leaving behind all the clues?

INTUITIVE INSTRUMENTS: MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY JOE RAUEN

January 11, 2pm-3pm | Families

Join us for a memorable performance by Joe Rauen. His performance includes one-of-a-kind instruments!

FAMILY GIANT GAME NIGHT

January 14, 6pm-7:30pm | Families

It's family giant game night at HPL! Come play oversized versions of your favorite games or try out something new. Either way you're guaranteed to have a fun filled night!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT: OUTER SPACE CRAFTS

January 28, 6pm-7pm | Ages 0-13

Come make two fun outer space crafts at this Family Fun Night! We'll be making planet tea lights and solar system necklaces.

Elementary Grade: K-5th

STEAM Squad: Minecraft Adventure

January 2, 2pm-4pm

Join TD3 Innovative Gaming in a guided Minecraft Adventure.
Registration is required.



MINECRAFT



CRAFT CLUB: Dog Man Celebration

January 9, 5pm-6pm

Join Miss Amanda to celebrate the release of the Dog Man movie! We'll be using our shrink rays to make keychains and chow down on snacks!
This program is limited to 30 children.



STEAM Squad: Snowflake Science

January 23, 5pm-6pm

Join Miss Amanda in learning about polarity!
We'll be making watercolor snowflake paintings with salt and wax.



Tweens & Teens: Grades 5th - 10th

CHIBI CREW: Kawaii Cats

Join Miss Amanda each month if you love anime, manga, kawaii, K-Pop or more! This month we'll be learning how to crochet kawaii cat plushies!



January 16, 6pm-7pm

Teens: Grades 6th - 12th

POPCORN IN THE PAGES: DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Jan. 6, 6:00pm-8:30pm

Join us for our movie night with snacks!



GAMERS GUILD: CARD GAMES

Jan. 15, 3:00pm-5:00pm

This month we'll be trying our hands at the ultimate group card games, Spoons, B.S., and Slap.



TASTY TRAVELERS: NUKA COLA

Jan. 22, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Enjoy a tasty exploration of new delicious foods! This month we're mixing sodas to create the famous Nuka Cola from the Fallout video game franchise.



CREATIVE MINDS: POM POM COASTERS

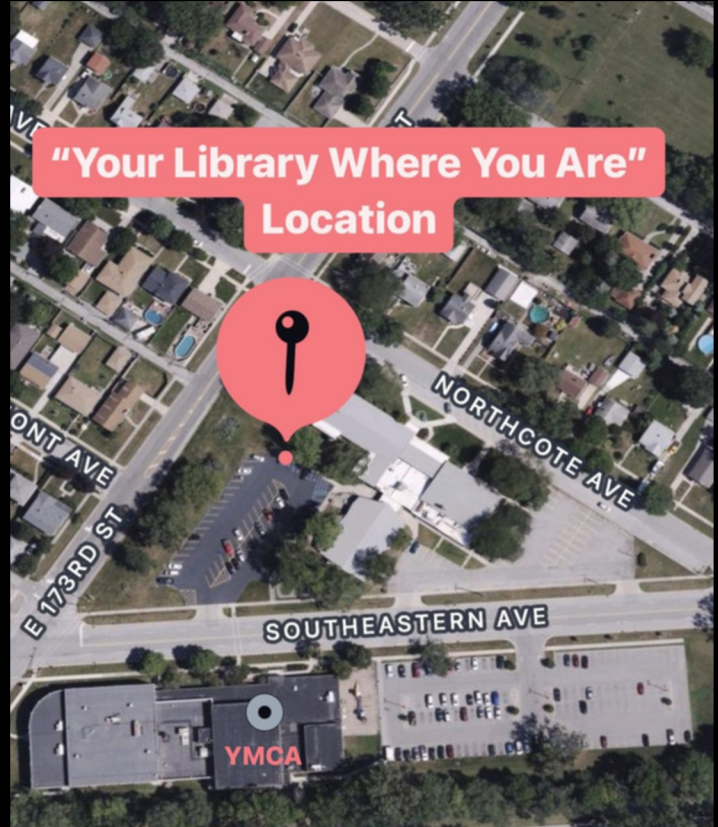
Jan. 29, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Join us for our monthly teen craft event that's all about having fun and trying something new. This month we'll be making pom pom coasters!





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