

FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR, CECI MARLOW



Cromaine Library under Virtual AND Physical Construction!

This fall, Cromaine Library has been updating and constructing left and right! We are pleased to announce that Cromaine has joined the TLN Enterprise Catalog - the online list of now 51 libraries in southeast Michigan with all of their collections in one place for your searching, browsing AND borrowing! There are over

one million titles in the shared catalog with over five million copies. The new expanded catalog went live November 19. We know you continue to want more from your library and this is one way that Cromaine can deliver more to you on an on-going basis.



Cromaine has also proceeded with building updates and renovations. In July, replacement of the computer room's air conditioning system was achieved. This runs all year long making sure the "brains" of the library's systems including Internet access are kept at the appropriate temperature. The project to replace the roofing and any needed decking of the 1980 portion of the library has been awarded and is to be completed before winter. Conversations have been held with Hartland Consolidated Schools and Hartland Township regarding the use of the library's property adjacent to the east wall of the 1980 library building. We hope to break ground spring 2016. This will create new study rooms and small group meeting rooms as well as a youth-only program room and teen area--all requested by the community. This reconfiguration will be accomplished using Cromaine's savings.



With all the change happening at Cromaine, we still offer you an amazing calendar of events. Please join us for our line-up of holiday events, including the Celebration of Giving (Island Guys Steel Drum Duo performing!), a Visit with Santa, Polar Express Day, and a winter break filled with activities for families (can you say "Star Wars Returns?!") We're here for you, bringing you the best every day as THE Place to Connect--to learn, to enjoy, and to people--expert library staff, friendly neighbors, fellow parents and adult co-learners.



Your Journey Begins Here!



YOUTH EVENTS

SENSORY STORYTIME

**Fridays, December 4 and February 12
at 10:00 am**

Join us for stories, songs and fingerplays. For children who have a hard time in large groups, with joint attention, or who are sensitive to sensory overload. Registration limited to 12 children and their family members. Register - Village.



VISIT WITH SANTA

Tuesday, December 8 at 6:30 pm

Bring your camera, listen to some stories and meet a special man. Please register everyone attending. Register - Village.



HOMESCHOOLERS' BOOK CLUB

Thursdays at 2:00 pm

December 10: Icefall by Matthew Kirby.

January 14: Turtle in Paradise by Jennifer Holm.

February 11: My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George.

Each child must have read the book. No age restrictions as you know your child and their reading ability. Register for each month separately - Village.

TWEEN NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY!

Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Join Miss Heather for tween-centered events. For grades 5 and 6. Register - Village.



December 14: Come enjoy a Murder Mystery Party especially for tweens! Performed by teen volunteers.

December 28: Grossology: Are you interested in all things icky? Come to our Grossology program to learn some gross facts, try out some science experiments and participate in other fun activities.

January 11: Candy Sushi: Use candy and other goodies to put a sweet twist on a classic food.

January 25: Zentangle Drawings: Do you like to doodle? Try out zentangle, which uses structured patterns to create cool images and take your doodles to the next level.

February 8: DIY Candy Hearts: Make your own candy hearts using a few simple ingredients. Give them to someone you care about or keep them all for yourself!

February 22: Marshmallow Tower Building: Use spaghetti noodles and marshmallows to create your own tower.



MAKE IT NOW!

**Tuesdays, December 15, January 26
and February 23 at 6:30 pm**

Use your hands and creativity to make a variety of projects. Bring your own creations to show off! For youth and teens especially but ALL ages welcome! Please register for each month separately. Register - Village.



TAIL WAGGIN'TUTORS

**Thursdays, December 17,
January 21 and February 18 from
7:00 to 8:00 pm**

Have your child read aloud to a trained therapy dog. No pressure, just the dog and the child. Each child will have 10 minutes to read to a dog. Register - Village.



COOKIES AND CARDS

Friday, December 18

**Preschool and Kindergarten at 11:30
am, Grades 1 through 5 at 2:30 pm**

Create a holiday card and decorate a tasty cookie for yourself or a loved one. We'll provide the supplies! Register - Village.

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Bring your creativity and get ready to battle.

Cupcakes and decorating supplies provided. For ages 6 through 12. Register - Village.



STAR WARS PHOTO-OP

**Monday, December 28 from
2:30 to 3:00 pm**

Come get your picture taken with a Star Wars character. Costumes encouraged! Drop-in - Village.

STAR WARS MOVIE MARATHON

Monday, December 28 at 4:00 pm

Stop in anytime to watch Episodes IV-VI with fellow fans. Drop-in - Village.



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Fridays, January 8 and February
19 at 10:00 am**

Join us for songs, rhymes, stories and more! All ages welcome. No registration required. Groups please call ahead. Drop-in - Village.

REGISTER @ WWW.CROMAINE.ORG

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SUPER SCIENCE SATURDAYS

Kids in grades K through 6 conduct fun science experiments on different topics on **Saturdays in January**. From dissecting an owl pellet to creating a color mixing spinner, there is a project here for everyone! Register - Village.



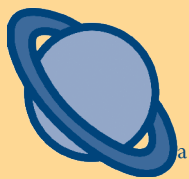
Saturday, January 9 (Grades K through 2) at 10:00 am: Colorful Science - Experiment with the colorful side of science! Make a color mixing spinner, see the spectrum on your face and catch a rainbow on a piece of paper to take home.
Saturday, January 9 (Grades 3 through 6) at 11:30 am: Electrical Connections - Design, build and test electrical circuits using batteries, bulbs and switches.

Saturday, January 16 (Grades K through 2) at 10:00 am: Rock Hounds - Explore rocks, minerals and fossils while starting your own rock collection to take home.

Saturday, January 16 (Grades 3 through 6) at 11:30 am: Sun, Moon, Planets and Stars - Make a Solar System necklace, a glow-in-the-dark constellation project and Moon Phase book.

Saturday, January 23 (Grades K through 2) at 10:00 am: Fur, Feathers, Scales and Skin - What does your favorite animal wear? Compare and contrast animal coverings while making a texture book and camouflaging a wooden snake.

Saturday, January 23 (Grades K through 2) at 11:30 am: Food Webs - See whooooo eats whooooo while dissecting an owl pellet and identifying the bones you find inside. Make a food web "nesting doll" project to take home.



BABY STORYTIME

Mondays, start January 11 at 9:30 am, 10:30 am and 11:30 am

For babies from birth to 23 months and their special caregivers. 7 weeks. Register - Village.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tuesdays, start January 12 at 10:00 and 11:15 am

Wednesdays, start January 13 at 10:00 am

Bring your child to enjoy stories, music and crafts! For ages 3 through 5, not yet in kindergarten. 7 weeks. Register - Village.



TODDLER STORYTIME

Thursdays, start January 14 at 9:30 am, 10:30 am and 11:30 am

Bring your child to enjoy stories, music and crafts geared for the littles ones! For 2-year-olds and their adult. 7 weeks. Register - Village.

LIBRARY BINGO

January 4 through February 29

Let's Play Bingo! Starting January 4 pick up a Library Bingo Card and complete listed activities such as "come to the library" for prizes and fun. Weekly drawings will be held for completed Bingos and completed cards will then be entered to win one of several \$25 gift cards. Library Bingo ends February 29.



WINTERFEST 2016

Saturday, January 30 from 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Join us at Heritage Park in Hartland for winter fun for the entire family!

FIGHT THE WINTER BLAHS

Stop by in February and complete a different drop-in activity each week for your chance to win a weekly \$5 Target gift card. For grades pre-K through 4.
February 1 to 6: "Duplocation" Station: Choose a card and use the Duplo blocks to make an exact match to the image provided. Choose from cards with varying levels of difficulty.



February 8 to 13: Valentine's crafts and photo booth: Make a work of art for a loved one and get your picture taken in our Valentine's Day photo booth.

February 15 to 20: Scavenger hunt: Our favorite book characters have gone missing! Search the Youth Department to find them all.

February 22 to 27: Mini Golf: Practice your putt-putt swing at our indoor mini course through the stacks.

MOVIE MATINEE

Friday, February 26 at 2:00 pm

Join us for fresh popcorn and a movie! Drop-in - Village.



GAME ON

Saturday, February 27 at 2:00 pm



It's game time! Join us for video games, board games, LEGOs, checkers and more. For ages 6 and up. Drop-in - Village.

LEAP YEAR

Monday, February 29 at 10:00 am

Hop to the library for some frog-themed fun! Stories, games, craft and snacks. For ages 2 through 5. Register - Village.



TEEN EVENTS

For teens in grades 7 through 12

Visit Carolyn, our Teen Librarian the first and third Tuesday each month at the Next Door Hartland Teen Center from 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

T.A.B. (Teen Advisory Board)

Thursdays, December 3, January 7 and February 4 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Join T.A.B. and help plan and carry out library programs, select books for the Teen section, work on projects, talk about books, music, and movies and meet other teens. For grades 7 through 12. Snacks provided. Drop-in - Village.

TEEN FRIDAYS

Fridays at 2:30 pm

Each Friday of the month Carolyn will have a different themed program for teens.

Register - Village.

December 4: Live action board

games: Hungry Hungry Hippos

December 11: Anime Club

December 18: No meeting

December 25: Library closed

January 1: Library closed

January 8: Anime Club

January 15: Fandom Day: The 5th Wave

January 22: Ultimate Fandom

January 28: No meeting

February 5: Live action board games: Giant Jenga

February 12: Anime Club

February 19: Fandom Day: Ranger's Apprentice

Ranger Training

February 26: No meeting



ADULT EVENTS



FICTION BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Join us the first Tuesday of the month for a lively discussion of fiction books. Drop-in - Village.

December 1: The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin.

January 5: Housekeeping by Marianne Robinson.

February 2: Livingston Reads choice The Martian by Andy Weir.



LIVINGSTON READS 2016 MOVIE NIGHT: THE MARTIAN

Wednesday, February 10 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm

The film, starring Matt Damon, explores a failed mission to Mars, where Astronaut Mark Watney is presumed dead and left behind by his crew. Register - Village.

LIVINGSTON READS 2016: LET'S TALK ABOUT MARS

Wednesday, February 17 at 6:30 pm

Join Buddy Stark of the Longway Planetarium as he gives an invigorating talk about the planet Mars. Register - Village.

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Wednesday, December 2 at 6:00 pm

Donors of our past, present and future and of time or gifts, are invited for an evening of a lively steel drum performance with music from The Island Guys Steel Drum Duo and Caribbean refreshments. A celebration of your gifts of time and more with Cromaine. Drop-in - Village.



ART WITH DONNA ROSKAMP

Monday, December 7 at 6:30 pm

Join local artist Donna Roskamp for a winter-themed art project. \$5.00 material fee; pay at event. Register - Village.



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Join us the second Tuesday of the month at the Crossroads Branch for a discussion of mystery and intrigue. Drop-in - Crossroads.

December 8: Time to share a favorite mystery you read in the past year!

January 12: Before I Go to Sleep by S. J. Watson.

February 9: Think of a Number by John Verdo.



S.C.O.R.E. ENTREPRENEUR MENTORING

Thursdays, December 10, January 14 and

February 11 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Free mentoring is provided by the Service Corps of Retired Executives to anyone wishing to start a business or looking for help in growing an existing small business. Rick Scofield is available for one-hour appointments. To register call 810-632-5200, ext. 104. Meetings are held in the Village second floor Director's office. Register - Village.

HOLIDAY MOVIE AND COOKIE DECORATING

AT VILLAGE MANOR

RETIREMENT

Wednesday, December 16 at 1:00 pm

Join us at Village Manor Retirement for two holiday traditions: enjoy a program highlighting holiday celebrations, and have fun decorating (and eating!) Christmas cookies. Register - Held at Village Manor Retirement.



LIVINGSTON READS 2016: THE MARTIAN BY ANDY WEIR

MICHIGAN WORKS!

RESUME REVIEW WITH
MICHIGAN WORKS!
EXPERT PATTY SUDBY

**Mondays, December 14, January 11 and
February 8 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**

Half-hour appointments for resume review are made directly with Patty. Call 517-552-2106 to arrange your appointment with the expert. Meetings are held in the Village second floor Director's office.

CROMAINE WRITERS

**Tuesdays, December 15, January 19 and
February 16 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**

Writing critique from fellow writers. Bring a few pages to read, or your questions about writing and publishing. Register - Crossroads.



JAZZ AT VILLAGE MANOR WITH RJ SPANGLER
Thursday, January 7 at 2:00 pm

RJ Spangler, award-winning jazz musician who has toured the US and Europe, brings his band to Village Manor as part of a Jazz Foundation of America grant. Village Manor is located at 9501 E Highland Rd., Hartland, MI 48843. Register - Village Manor.



**MICHIGAN ACTIVITY PASS:
EXPLORE CULTURAL AND
RECREATIONAL ATTRACTIONS!**

Wednesday, January 13 at 6:30 pm

Explore how your library card gives you access to the Michigan Activity Pass (michiganactivitypass.info). Jim Pletz, Director of The Library Network, will speak about the various cultural attractions, state parks and recreation areas that can be visited for free or at a discounted price! Register - Village.

**CARING FOR CHILDREN, A SERIES FOR
CREDIT: IDENTIFYING TRAUMA-BASED
BEHAVIORS**

Monday, January 18 at 6:30 pm

Preschool teachers can earn credit for this program that focuses on viewing problematic behavior through the lens of trauma. Register - Village.



**MEDICARE QUESTIONS? THE
LIVINGSTON COUNTY MMAP
TEAM HAS ANSWERS!**

**Mondays, January 25 and
February 29 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm**

MMAP (Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program) provides unbiased information/assistance to Medicare beneficiaries and caregivers. Confidential appointments are available. Please call 810-632-5200 ext. 104 for an appointment. Meetings are held in the Village second floor Director's office. Register - Village.

**A.L.I.V.E.: ACTIVE LEARNING INSPIRED BY
VIBRANT EXPERIENCES FOR AGES 55+**

Health - Explore and Grow!

**Mondays, February 1, 8, 15 and 22 from 1:00
to 3:00 pm**

Four weeks of health-and-wellness related talks, demonstrations and exploration with snacks "in the middle." Brighten your brain with a little more learning! Register - Village.



ADULT PINTEREST PARTY

Monday, February 8 at 6:30 pm

Join us and bring a friend to create unique Valentine's-themed decor projects. \$5.00 material fee; pay at event. Register - Village.

**HURON VALLEY LAW CENTER SEMINAR ON
THE TRUTH ABOUT ESTATE PLANNING**

Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30 pm

Learn about the correct way to plan for future life events with Attorney Caroline Bielas. Register - Village.

**GET READY
FOR THE BIG
READ 2016:**

**CALL OF THE
WILD BY JACK
LONDON**



TAKE "FLAT BUCK" WITH YOU!

January 4 through February 29

Going somewhere special this winter? Even if you're just staying around town, take Flat Buck with you! As part of our Big Read 2016 program around the book Call of the Wild we want patrons to take a picture of the main character Buck with them and photograph him doing fun things! Take him to sporting events, family outings, sunny locales - he wants to go everywhere! All submitted pictures will be used as part of our March Big Read display.

BIG READ 2016: KICK-OFF!

**Saturday, March 19 from 11:00 am
to 1:00 pm**

Free books, free entertainment, free food and many more activities to kick off the Big Read 2016: Call of the Wild by Jack London. Thank you Arts Midwest and the National Endowment for the Arts as well as all of our local sponsors!



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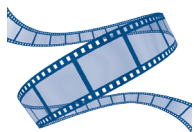
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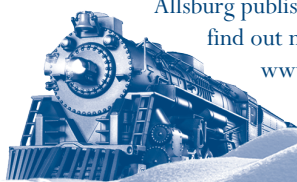
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Hartland's Polar Express Day!

Saturday, December 12 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Activities throughout Hartland's Historic Village, including cookie decorating at the Chamber Office, get your own Polar Express Bell in front of the Chamber Office from the Cornillauds, ring the train bell at the Florence Dearing Museum and get your Polar Express ticket, pick up a bit of magical reindeer feed at Ore Creek Veterinary, warm up by the burn barrel at Flame to Fire and pick up a bagged craft kit, enjoy entertainment by the Hartland High School band and choir students at the Hartland Music Hall, make a stamped bookmark with Beauchamp Water on the street, and have cocoa provided by Tyme Well Spent at the Rest Stop on Avon! Plus, see a Real Live Reindeer on Cromaine's south lawn, and become a Certified Elf by completing a "challenge" course with the help of LOC Federal Credit Union at Cromaine. Most important--hear the story *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg published by Houghton-Mifflin and read at Cromaine. New activities may be added-- find out more including a map at the Five Sparrows-provided interactive web site: www.polarexpressday.com. Drop-in - Village. After this event, from Noon to 4 pm, visit Santa at the Hartland-Deerfield Fire Department!



Friends of Cromaine BOOK AND BAKE SALE

Thursday, January 28 - 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Friday, January 29 - 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday, January 30 - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Bake Sale on Thursday and Friday!

*More sale hours
for everyone. No
member preview.*

Friday: Teachers and parents of homeschoolers come from 3-6 pm today and get in early on the \$5 bag sale - the first bag is free!

Saturday is Bag Day! Fill a Friends-supplied bag for \$5!

board of trustees

Nancy Lewis, President

Don Thompson, Vice President

Doug Sargent, Treasurer

Mary Cafmeyer, Secretary

Paul Black, Trustee

Kate DeRosier, Trustee

Kathleen Oemke, Trustee

Cromaine Library Board Meetings

Third Thursday of each month with exceptions posted. The board is the library's governing body and ensures the community is provided with the best library facilities and service possible. The public is welcome at all board meetings, which start at 7:00 pm in the Community Room in the Village or at Crossroads as posted.

Library Administration

Ceci Marlow, Library Director

Barb Rentola, Administration

Mary Howard, Adult Services Manager

Jennifer Roth, Youth Services Manager

Sue Strouse, Circulation Manager

Scott Wren, Building Manager

810.632.5200 VILLAGE

CROMAINE LIBRARY

THE VILLAGE:
3688 N. Hartland Road
P.O. Box 308
Hartland, MI 48353
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Hartland Town Center
S. of M-59, on the east side
of Old US-23
P. 810.632.7480

WEB SITE:
www.cromaine.org

E-MAIL:
cromaine@cromaine.org

FOR MATERIAL REQUESTS:
I_Want@cromaine.org

HOURS:

VILLAGE LOCATION:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed Sunday

CROSSROADS BRANCH:

Monday - Thursday 1:00 - 8:00 pm
Closed Friday & Saturday
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 pm



CROMAINE CLOSING DATES:

Thursday, December 24, 2015
Friday, December 25, 2015
Closed for the Christmas Holiday

Thursday, December 31, 2015
Friday, January 1, 2016
Closed for the New Years Holiday

Both locations closed for Staff In-service
on Friday, January 8, 2016

*When Cromaine is closed, the materials returns, 24/7 lockers
at Crossroads, wireless in both parking lots and virtual library services
at www.cromaine.org are all open.*

DATED MATERIAL:
Postmaster, deliver by November 25, 2015



**CROMAINE
LIBRARY
NEIGHBORS**



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P.O. Box 308
Hartland, MI 48353

Program/Event info!

While visiting online, please note program time, location and if registration is required or drop-in. Please register only for what you will attend. No-shows are disappointing and costly. Thank you!

If you are unable to register online,
please feel free to phone us!
810.632.5200

If you need an accommodation to
attend an event, please call.



Find your way to our
program calendar for
all the info you'll need
with your smart phone!