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**Hartland, MI, November 29, 2021** - Kick off your holiday traditions this December with Cromaine Library! Your hometown library is excited to present a variety of engaging programs alongside our valued community partners and supporting businesses.

The Winter Reading Challenge will begin December 1, 2021 and run through March 1, 2022. The event is for all ages and includes many fun activities along the way. Kickstart your winter reading at the Winter Warm-Up on December 2 at Cromaine from 5:30 to 7:30PM. All are invited to enjoy crafts, activities, hot cocoa and more. Plus, help bring cheer to our community by decorating a card at our Cards for Seniors station or by donating waterproof gloves for the Foster Closet of Michigan, Livingston County. Register the family in advance on our online calendar at **cromaine.org**.

Cromaine Library and the Hartland Living Partners are excited to present Hartland's 9th Polar Express Day on December 11! Wear your best pajamas and enjoy a stroll through the historic Village of Hartland. Experience the sights and sounds of the holiday season in celebration of the book The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg. The FREE event runs 10:00AM to 1:00PM and no registration is required. The list of family friendly activities include trackless train rides, photo opportunities with Santa, live reindeer, giveaways, crafts, games, treats, live performances and more. Need a quick lunch for the family while enjoying the free event? Hot dogs, polish kielbasa and chips will be available for purchase from Tony's Dogs (cash only, please). Explore all that Polar Express has to offer at **bit.ly/polarexpress2021**.

Please note that Hartland Road between Crouse Road and School Street will be closed throughout the event and follow posted detours. Parking is available at Cromaine Library, Hartland Childcare Center, Creekside Elementary, and Hartland Middle School at Ore Creek.

Lastly, join us at 6:30 pm on December 11 for the 88th live performance of Handel's Messiah. This annual favorite takes place at the beautiful Hartland Music Hall, and is performed by the Hartland Community Chorus as a tribute to the legacy of John Robert Crouse. Tickets are on sale now for \$15 each at **eventbrite.com**.

Cromaine events and programs are subsidized or offered for FREE for the community due to the continued and generous support of Hartland District taxpayers and community sponsors. For more information about Cromaine Library please visit **cromaine.org**.