

Quincy Branch Library

A service of the Branch District Library

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Library Hours:

Sunday / Monday - Closed

Wednesday - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday - 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Branch Manager's Message

Whew! The library has been a busy place! Aside from information in our last October Friends of the Library newsletter, many of you were very generous in donating due to the special newsletter we sent out regarding our library repairs. Grand River Builders Incorporated Historic Building Restoration has been working on our beautiful building for weeks, and in all sorts of weather. The first few days of set up were extremely lovely, and then, well, winter weather began. As the workers began further inspection, the need for them to be here was even more crucial! After much repair of framing, soffit and fascia, internal wood framing and needed masonry, they have installed new copper gutter liners, steel downspouts and copper leaf baskets as outlets. This is an extensive project that will ensure the structure of our library building. The estimated \$47,000 - \$50,000 increased by \$20,000, as we knew further investigation would take place once the job began.

This company, with its' very courteous workers, is a pleasure to work with. It is good to know they are restoring our building - with care - for many years to come. Our library became a registered historic site with the state of Michigan in 1987.

Our library is a place of service to the community and we are pleased our community values it. Each month nearly 1000 people on average come through our doors (up to 1400 during the summer months), we circulate up to 2000 books and materials to patrons, and transport to our other five library branches and several hundred of that number are sent out within our state. We answer up to 100 reference questions each month, offer fax service (\$1.00 per page to send, 50¢ per page to receive) and copies for only 15¢. Color copies are 25¢ from the laser printer available using our 8 public computers. Patrons are always pleased to learn we are wireless 24/7, which is why you will see people on our front steps after hours.

Thank you for your support and patronage! We value and appreciate our patrons and hope to see you at some of the upcoming

events you'll find further in this newsletter.

Lisa L. Wood
Quincy Branch Manager



**It's the 35th year
of the
Friends of the
Quincy Library
newsletter !!**

Upcoming Events

Story Hour **February 3 at 10 a.m.**

2-5 year olds are welcome each Friday morning for stories, snack and crafts. No need for advance sign-up. We follow the Quincy Community Schools weather related closings for our Story Hour.

Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker and Fates and Traitors

February 11 at 10 a.m.

Sue Houchen will present her program on Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker and Fates and Traitors, Jennifer Chiaverini's newest book.

Adult Winter Blahs Contest

Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Submit one entry for every item returned between Feb. 1 - Feb. 28. Winning name will be drawn March 1 and contacted by phone.

Genealogy Class **March 18 at 9:30 a.m.**

Bring your questions and your own laptop if you wish, for a time of great discussion with Bonnie Sherman from the Coldwater Heritage Room.

MANY wonderful people have given toward restoring our historic building, but especially wonderful, was the 90 Jennings 2nd graders brought a big check to the library!

eBook Options

Hoopla craza !! Instantly borrow digital movies, music, eBooks and more, 24/7 with your library card. Check our main page of our library website to see what it's all about! www.branchdistrictlibrary.org

Remember, if you have an E-Reader, check out our ebook collection on **OverDrive** at woodlands.lib.overdrive.com The OverDrive website can also be accessed through the library's online catalog at www.branchdistrictlibrary.org



Joel Tracey ~ Michigan's Funny Man ~ and his Duct Tape Workshop. He came to the library Dec. 29

In Appreciation...

In Memory of..

Bruce Bell

Union Church Women's Society

Carol Brown

Don & Bev Dull

Jim Buckley

Union Church Women's Society

Portia Brockman Duff

Don & Teddy Sinclair

Ralph Estlow

Union Church Women's Society

Jack E. Faulkner

Don & Rosie Peterson
Union Church Women's Society

Leon Fillmore

Union Church Women's Society

Joan Harmon

The Bellamy families

Opal King

Connie Harmon

Duane McCurley

Dan & Judy Dobson
QHS Class of '52
Nellie Cronk
Mel & Vicki Budd
Don & Rosie Peterson
Sally Iford Ball
Dan & Carol Ludlow

Betty Porter

Charlie & Shelby Stanley
Daniel & MaryAnn Wentworth
Don & Teddy Sinclair
Dolores Rawson
Bill & Sandy Mason
Craig & Rhonda Artist
Kevin & Amy Paradine
Michael & Dorothy Cherry
Christine Culy Forrister
Bob & Linda Stewart
Shirley Tappenden
Harold & Diana Massey
Douglas & Mary Jo Johnson
Pam Sides
Gary & Connie Karney
Roland & Joanne Finley

Lennie & Norie Horn
Bonnie & Larry Bowerman
Doug & Laura Everline
Ron & Kathy Will
Glenn & Suzy Preston
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Ewers and family
Dan & Judy Dobson
Roberta Stanley
Union Church Women's Society
Roberta Stanley

Ona Joyce Southworth

Quincy American Legion Auxiliary Unit
157 - Passed away at age 87 and was a
50 year Auxiliary Member

Margaret Suever

Pat & Chuck Lehman

Robert Teachout

Union Church Women's Society

Marian Smead Thibideau

Dan & Carol Ludlow

Cynthia Michael Ward

Jerry & Darlene Morgan

In Honor of...

Don Dull's Birthday

From Mike & Linda Dull

Bud & Lucia Carpenter

From Rachel Everline

Donations to the Jane Baldwin Endowment Fund...

In Honor of Jana Baldwin

From the family of Elizabeth Porter
Dan & Judy Dobson

Donations to the Quincy Township/Library Restoration Project Fund...

In Honor of Thomas Brainard

Karen Hargreave
Anonymous

In Memory of Nancy Jane Baldwin

Timothy & JoEllen Baldwin
Dr. & Mrs. Pete Baldwin

Ray & Fran Bregger
Donna Ford
Janice Hutchins
Krok's Marine Repair
Ron & Kathleen Will
Joe & Barb Strittmatter

In Memory of Jane Baldwin

Baldwin Capital Management/Scott
Baldwin
Joe & Lisa Lopez

In Memory of Ruth McConnell

Don & Beverly Dull

In Memory of Carol Brown

Dorothy Cherry
Quincy Historical Society

In Memory of Wayne Burke

Michael & Linda Burke

In Memory of Bill Gale

Mary Gale

In Memory of Gerry & Eloise Wood

Dan & Linda Wood
Donald Scott
Friends of the Quincy Library

In Memory of my grandparents:

Mr. Robert J. & Mabel A. Brokaw (R.J. Brokaw was mayor of the Village for 7 years in the 1950s) and Rev. Ernest T. & Ethel F. Potter (E.T. Potter was pastor of the Union Church, 1932 - 1939)
Garth & Martha Brokaw

In Memory of Roy Tappenden

Shirley Tappenden
Connie Harmon
Gary & Deb Tappenden
Mike Tappenden
Kathy Tomson
Carlene Calhoun

In Memory of Leaighta Keiser

Anonymous
Dwight Olney

In Memory of Carol Brown and David Bowerman

Quincy Library Foundation

In Appreciation...

Donations to the Quincy Township/Library Restoration Project Fund...

In Memory of Garrett Marshall

Kevin & Amy Paradine
Walmart Distribution

In Honor of Connie Karney's Birthday

In Honor of Gary & Connie Karney's

Don, Karen, Conner & Meri Michael

In Honor of Connie Karney's Birthday

Jennings Elementary 2nd graders
Dan & Carol Ludlow
Larry & Paula Brown
NIKA Club Bake Sale & Silent Auction proceeds

Friends of the Quincy Library Book Sale proceeds
Dan & Judy Dobson

In Memory of Betty Porter

Pine Ridge Bible Church
Dale & Glenda Brown
Phil & Jeanette Mainstone
Dave & Jill Sluyter

In Honor of Scott, Tim and Tyler

Dr. & Mrs. Pete Baldwin Marion & Janet Sanderson
Tyler & Jana Baldwin
Jim & Marion Miller
Joe Lubaway
Dick & Linda Knirk
Jackie Russell
Johanna Ferguson-Hippensteel
Douglas & Sheryl Keeslar

Thank You...

November Book Sale workers:

Set up crew:

Linda Walbridge
Wally Newkirk
Mary Dawn Dobson
Max Stephenson

Workers:

Shirley Haver
Candace Newkirk
Sue Webb
Judy Bevard
Shirley Brand
Teddy Sinclair
Leslie Walp
Renee Hardy

Quincy Lights Santa Letters

Workers:

Sue May and Candace Newkirk

QUINCY LIBRARY GUTTER REPAIR PHOTOS



A Look Back at February 1917

M. N. ETHERIDGE GROCERY

Are you in the habit of eating
GRAPEFRUIT?
If not, get the habit.
Large size, 10c each, 3 for 25c

Oranges (sweet and juicy) per dozen 10c
Apples (for cooking) per peck 50c
Parsnips Cabbage Lettuce Celery
Fresh Horse Radish Pepper Sauce Catsup

Insist upon White Rosebud Oleomargarine
Retail at 25c per lb.—the best on the market

GOOD DAIRY BUTTER AND FRESH EGGS WANTED

Phone 18 Phone 18

WE SELL

6 Boxes Best Matches for	25c
6 Pounds Best Rolled Oats for	25c
1 Package Cream of Wheat for	15c
25c McKenzie's Self Rising Flour for	22c
1 Package Shredded Wheat for	11c
6 Bars Flake White Soap for	25c
2 Bars Ivory Soap for	9c
1 Pound Lettuce for	16c
2 Large Grape Fruit for	15c

1 package Marco Jelly Powder for	10c
and another package for	5c

On and after Monday, March 12, we
will be open evenings until 8 o'clock.

Amsden Grocery Company

The Quincy Herald

**A TEN WEEKS' TRIP ON
BRANCH COUNTY ROADS**

**Third Installment—Setting Stakes for
a New System.**

The "first week out" on this thinking trip over Branch County roads, we discover that we are spending more than \$35,000 dollars a year—\$37,149 last year, to be exact—trying to keep soft roads in repair under new traffic conditions which require hard roads. We had not gone very far on the second week's trip before we discovered 3500 reasons why we have roads—for every one of the 3500 farms of Branch County is a reason—and we found the same number of reasons why we should have roads.

Branch County began its development without roads. So did all other counties in their pioneer state. The processes of growth went on until our prairies and hillsides and valleys were peopled, but always in advance of the road maker. First, the path from one cabin to another, then trail cut through the brush from one settlement to another, and finally, a lane to market, but awlays the same uneven earth bottom—choking you with dust during dry seasons and miring you in mud in wet seasons.

Continued - But in road building, as in all other processes of community growth, the volume of traffic must reach a certain point before hard roads are practical from a financial standpoint. There is a point in traffic growth when it becomes less expensive to build a hard road than to attempt to keep in repair a soft road. That point has been reached in Branch County. To prove this fact engineering, skill is unnecessary. One look at the tax books, as we have already seen, shows that road repair expense has increased 33 percent in ten years, and only the building of a system of hard roads will stop this expense.

In order to know what use is made of a road it is necessary to count the vehicles passing over it, preferably during 24 hours, on different days of the week and at different seasons of the year. Such a count is called a traffic census. It is the scientific institute for the supervisor's guess that the travel over the road is sometimes "heavy" and sometimes "medium."

The Massachusetts Highway Commission took its traffic census in 1909, and it took another in 1915, which showed that the total traffic on all roads had increased 15 per cent in that period. This is significant in itself to the development in transportation which follows road improvement, but it is only a part of the story. When the first census was made, 60 percent of the vehicles were drawn by horses, while last year such vehicles were 17.5 percent. The annual increase in the number of self-propelled vehicles has been about 70 percent, and the annual decrease in the number of horse drawn vehicles about 5 percent. But perhaps the most significant of all the figures, at least to those responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads, is the astonishing record of an increase of 230 percent in motor truck travel from 1012 to 1015. Careful investigations are revealing the same story everywhere, and Branch County is no exception to the rule.

When you actually need a thing, you pay for it, whether you have it or not. We are already paying the price of hard roads because we need them, but we are not getting hard roads because we are wasting money on repairs when building for permanence would give us hard roads and stop heavy repair expenses.

Did You Know ??

- Did you know 11% of people are left handed
- Did you know August has the highest percentage of births
- Did you know unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it
- Did you know the average person falls asleep in 7 minutes
- Did you know a bear has 42 teeth
- Did you know an ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain
- Did you know lemons contain more sugar than strawberries
- Did you know 8% of people have an extra rib
- Did you know 85% of plant life is found in the ocean
- Did you know Ralph Lauren's original name was Ralph Lifshitz
- Did you know rabbits like licorice
- Did you know the Hawaiian alphabet has 13 letters
- Did you know 'Topolino' is the name for Mickey Mouse Italy
- Did you know a lobsters blood is colorless but when exposed to oxygen it turns blue
- Did you know armadillos have 4 babies at a time and are all the same sex
- Did you know reindeer like bananas
- Did you know the longest recorded flight of a chicken was 13 seconds
- Did you know birds need gravity to swallow
- Did you know the most commonly used letter in the alphabet is E
- Did you know the 3 most common languages in the world are Mandarin Chinese, Spanish and English
- Did you know dreamt is the only word that ends in mt
- Did you know a cat has 32 muscles in each ear
- Did you know Elvis's middle name was Aron
- Did you know goldfish can see both infrared and ultraviolet light
- Did you know the smallest bones in the human body are found in your ear
- Did you know cats spend 66% of their life asleep
- Did you know Switzerland eats the most chocolate equating to 10 kilos per person per year
- Did you know macadamia nuts are toxic to dogs
- Did you know when lightning strikes it can reach up to 30,000 degrees celsius (54,000 degrees fahrenheit)
- Did you know spiders are arachnids and not insects
- Did you know each time you see a full moon you always see the same side
- Did you know stewardesses is the longest word that is typed with only the left hand
- Did you know honey is the only natural food which never spoils
- Did you know M&M's chocolate stands for the initials for its inventors Mars and Murrie
- Did you know the only continent with no active volcanoes is Australia

New York Times Bestsellers

- 1. The Mistress by Danielle Steel**
- 2. The Whistler by John Grisham**
- 3. The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead**
- 4. Two by Two by Nicholas Sparks**
- 5. Cross the Line by James Patterson**
- 6. Below the Belt by Stuart Woods**
- 7. Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult**
- 8. The Chemist by Stephenie Meyer**
- 9. No Man's Land by David Baldacci**
- 10. The Guests on South Battery by Karen White**



Annual Friends of the Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Library invites you to renew or begin your membership. The membership begins January 2017. Please complete the below information, enclose a check payable to the Friends of the Library and either send it to the library or to Teddy Sinclair at 490 Clarendon Rd., Quincy, MI 49082. The Friends of the Library are responsible for the continuance of the newsletter and assisting with many of the library's programs.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Membership: \$5.00

I am interested in contributing an additional \$ _____ for
the continuance of this newsletter.

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