

# Quincy Branch Library

*A service of the Branch District Library*

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**Library Hours:**

Sunday / Monday - Closed

Wednesday - 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - Closed

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

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## Musings from the Branch Manager

How quickly the summers come and go! Over 160 children signed up for the Summer Reading Program and 92 finished by reaching the reading goal of 12 hours in the six week program. All children Preschool through high school received prizes for every 2 hours they read, and those finishing the program received Goodie Bags with Branch County Fair tickets, a free book from the Friends of the Library as well as McDonald's happy meals, and many more prizes to fill their bags.

A recent Story Hour featured the story "Woolbur" by Leslie Helakoski. This was the chosen Library of Michigan "Michigan Reads! - One State, One Book" for libraries to enjoy for one of their programs this fall. The Coldwater branch had the author visit to read

to their Story Hour children and then visited with some local school classes over lunch!

Enjoy the autumn that is upon us and...fall into a good book!  
Lisa Wood,  
Branch Manager

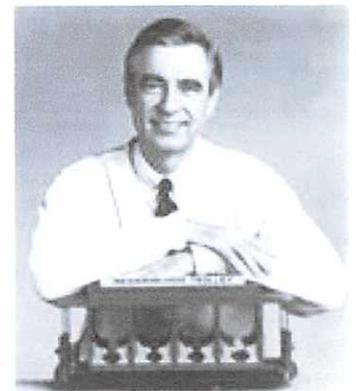
### **From "The World According to Mister Rogers: Important Things to Remember" by Fred Rogers:**

**The Courage to Be Yourself --**

- Discovering the truth about ourselves is a lifetime's work, but it's worth the effort.
- Who you are inside is what helps you make and do everything in life.
- Whatever we choose to imagine can be as private as we want it to be. Nobody knows what you're thinking or feeling unless you share it.
- How many times have you noticed that it's the little quiet moments in the midst

of life that seem to give the rest extra-special meaning?

- There's a nurturing element to all human beings, whenever they themselves have been nurtured, and it's going to be expressed one way or another.
- Solitude is different from loneliness, and it doesn't have to be a lonely kind of thing.
- You rarely have time for everything you want in this life, so you need to make choices. And hopefully your choices can come from a deep sense of who you are.



## Quincy History...

### From the Quincy Herald newspaper

#### 1868 TRAGEDY

The grist mill suffered a boiler explosion, killing the engineer and badly wrecking the building. The plant was repaired and run until 1871 when it was sold to Wm. Tibbitts.

#### 1878 There were many businesses at that time:

- Doctor's offices
- The Quincy Lumber
- Dry Goods store
- Millinery store (hats)
- The Court Electric Shop
- Law offices – upper floors were dance halls and social functions were held, ("spring board floors for easy dancing" are mentioned in the articles.)
- Drug stores
- Protective Fire Co.
- Grocery stores, such as Walker's Grocery
- Photography
- Harness shop
- A new building was erected in 1899 -- State Bank - The bank remained under this title until 1926 when the National Bank merged with the State and was renamed the First National Bank of Quincy (1950s)
- Shoe stores
- Post offices
- Dentist
- Dressmaker
- Newspapers, The Quincy Times until 1904, Quincy Herald (1897 to 1967)
- Opera House for traveling shows and other entertainments. Large dances like the Fireman's Ball were held there. 23 year manager, Guy Tompkins also ran a tailor shop and was the drum major the Channel City Band for many years.
- Lodges
- Tailor
- Hardware
- Tin shop
- Plumbing, furnaces
- Blacksmith shop
- Telephone office
- Feed mills
- Meat markets, like Foster's
- Barber shops
- Carriage shops
- Wagon shops
- Quincy Cleaners
- "Farmers and Merchants' Bank"

- Merion Griffin's oil station covered the ground of two old land marks.

- In the early days of 1876 M.M. Dickerson for 20 years operated a music store in the first building, selling organs, pianos and sewing machines.

- Old foundry, run by Albert Wilber was the village fire warden later and was a carpenter by trade.

House and chair factory

- "At the end of the street we face the old freight house that was built by Lucas Joseph in 1852. The trestle and banking part was leased to dr. E. G. Berry and was a master piece of skill. Many a team has become frightened when ascending the embankment to unload grain in the elevators. The young people of today can never visualize the sport of sliding down old depot hill. No one needed to go to Grayling for winter sports."

Quincy Hotel , changed hands many times, burned with a loss of all contents, was rebuilt. In 1877, Glen Fillmore took possession in Jan. 1914, renamed it "The Fillmore", with an opening event with 40 dinner guests. Was renamed the Quincy Hotel.

- "The adjoining vacant lot, with a driveway between it, was used for bowery dances, public speeches and other purposes. It was from this lot that the fireworks were displayed for the Centennial Celebration in 1876. At one time in later years a merry-go-round was placed there, much to the pleasure of those who enjoyed the ride."

#### 1886 TRAGEDY AGAIN

"West to the curve in the road where once the lake came to the road, but during the years has receded to a considerable distance, stood the Kimbark Carriage Factory. This was built in the early 80s and employed over 50 men. It was a great boom to the town.

On June 1, 1886, it met with a terrible boiler explosion, killing Joseph Benton, fireman; W.H. Cole, engineer, and Supt. F.G. Sheldon. The ringing of the fire bell and whistling of an engine on the track sounding the alarm of trouble will never be forgotten. At the call of a telegram, Mr. And Mrs. Kimbark started on the first train from Chicago, bringing surgical dressings, but on their arrival found it too late except to administer to those who were hurt. Mr. Kimbark rebuilt the factory which was about demolished and manufactured buggy bodies and accessories for a few years, then moved the business to Elkhart in 1891. A number of families followed. This was the worst catastrophe the village ever experienced." The Kimbark building was bought by W. H. Kirby and converted into a cider mill.

## Did you Know??? The Quincy Village is 155 years old!

On October 14, 1858 was incorporated as a village.

On November 15 the first village election was held with the following individuals being elected:

Ebenezer Mudge - President  
 Moses A. Hewett - Clerk  
 Alden Gregory - Treasurer

1858 Ebenezer Mudge built a frame house where he lived for many years. This house was moved then to East Jefferson Street.

## Upcoming Events

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|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| October 4, 11, 18, 25 | <b>Story Hour</b><br>Main Level - 10 a.m.                    |
| October 9             | <b>Quincy Advisory Board Meeting</b><br>Main Level - 9 a.m.  |
| October 22            | <b>Friends of the Library Meeting</b><br>Main Level - 4 p.m. |
| November 1-2          | <b>Friends Book Sale</b><br>Lower Level                      |
| November 8, 15, 22    | <b>Story Hour</b><br>Main Level - 10 a.m.                    |
| November 29           | <b>All Branches Closed</b>                                   |
| December 6, 13        | <b>Story Hour</b><br>Main Level - 10 a.m.                    |

December 11

**Quincy Advisory Board Meeting**  
Main Level - 9 a.m.

December 24, 25, 31

**All Branches Closed**

**HUGE Book Sale** - Friends of the Quincy Library will hold their book sale Friday, November 1 from 9-5 and Saturday, November 2 from 9-noon. Hardcover will be 50¢ and paperbacks will be 25¢. Barrier free entrance on the north side of the building, which enters to the lower level where the book sale is held.

**Quincy Lights!** - Friends of the Library will be available in the lower level Friday evening offering cookies and the opportunity for children to write letters to Santa. Enjoy the festivities all around downtown Quincy, beginning at 5:30 pm. Please use the south lower level door to write your letter to Santa.

\*\*\*\*\* Remember to stock up on your winter reading by visiting the book sale, or to visit the library before the Christmas week. The library will be closed Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25, as well as Tuesday, December 31 for New Year's Eve. We are also normally closed on Monday's and Thursday's, so your opportunities to visit the Quincy Branch will be slim during the end of December!



## In Appreciation...

### In Memory of...

**Clarence Angevine**  
Dick & Stonna Spalding

**Caden Bowles**  
Mike & Ann Nowicki

**Lauren Bracy**  
Dick & Stonna Spalding

**Margaret Carman**  
Dick & Stonna Spalding

**Phyllis Easterday**  
Mike & Ann Nowicki

**Joan Harmon**  
Dick & Stonna Spalding

**Gladys Houck**  
Gene & Shirley Brand

**June McConnell Hubbard**  
Clair & Donna Omo  
Craig & Kathy Omo

**Marian Smith**  
Dick & Stonna Spalding

### Donations:

**Phil & Jeanette Mainstone** - for the purchase of "Wild Goose Chase" and "In a Pit with a Lion on a Snow Day" both by Mark Batterson

## Resources Offered to Branch District Library Patrons...

Be sure to visit the main library webpage: [www.branchdistrictlibrary.org](http://www.branchdistrictlibrary.org) for information, announcements, programs (<http://www.branchdistrictlibrary.org/calendar>), online catalog capability, use of the Melcat (Michigan electronic catalog) system or peruse the many Reference helps and local databases to assist you in your daily needs:

BDL Purchased Resources (Free for BDL Patrons!):

[Ancestry Library Edition](#) is the premier web site for genealogical information. (In-Library Use Only)

[Mango Languages](#) - Learn the basics in over 40 foreign languages, or learn English as a Second Language taught in over 15 languages. This is a fantastic resource and one of our favorite digital offerings to you here at BDL.

[OverDrive](#) - Download audiobooks to listen to and ebooks to read on your computer, ereader, phone, and other personal mobile devices.

[Tumblebooks](#) - Tumblebooks is ebooks, audiobooks, and read-along stories for kids. Compatible with mobile devices.

Databases provided by the Michigan eLibrary (MeL). These databases are free for all Michigan residents. Visit the [MeL Databases page](#) for links to:

**Business and Company Resource Center** - provides researchers with information on companies, markets and industries. From market trends, mergers, and acquisitions to current management theory and company overviews.

**Chilton Library** - represents the most authoritative automotive repair information available to car owners. There are thousands of year, make, and model combinations covering the most popular vehicles of the past 30 years, plus additional coverage of specialty models.

**Health and Wellness Resource Center** - provides instant access to carefully compiled and trusted medical reference materials. Includes nearly 400 health/medical journals, hundreds of pamphlets,

over 700 health-related videos from partner Healthology, Inc., and articles from 2,200 general interest publications in addition to a broad collection of Thomson Gale reference titles.

**HeritageQuest** - includes all of the images, and extensive indexing, from the 1790 - 1930 U.S. federal censuses. It offers more than 22,000 digitized book titles, including early family histories and local histories. Additionally, there are more than 250 primary-source documents such as tax lists, city directories, probate records and more.

**InfoTrac Newsstand** - is a collection of full text newspapers from around the Country and the World. Includes the last 12 months of the New York Times and the Grand Rapids Press (1996-current)

**LearningExpress** - provides a completely interactive online learning platform of practice tests and tutorial course series designed to help patrons, students, and adult learners succeed on the academic or licensing tests they must pass. You'll get immediate scoring, complete answer explanations, and an individualized analysis of your results.

**SIRS Discoverer** - Recommended for: K-9. All full-text. A children's database of articles, books, video, audio on all topics. The interface is appropriate to children and includes reading levels, teacher's help pages, and more.

Below are some internet sites that can be accessed. These are on the Branch County Library Website. Look under the Reference Tab and then click on the "Reference Databases".

### **Almanacs and General Facts**

- [CIA World Factbook](#)
- [Country Studies](#) - from the Library of Congress
- [Infoplease](#)

### **Calendars and Time**

- [Calendar Zone](#) Calendars of Different World Cultures
- [World Clock Time Zones](#)

## Resources Offered to Branch District Library Patrons... (Continued)

### ***Colleges and Universities***

- [CollegeNET](#) - Provides basic information about colleges and universities in the U.S.
- [FinAid](#) - Student guide to financial aid
- [Best College Major for Careers](#) - based on the 2010 Census Data

### ***Consumer Information***

- [U.S. Consumer Action Web Site](#)
- [Consumer Reports](#) - some free information, some subscription only
- [Kelley Blue Book](#) - New car pricing, used car values

### ***Directories (Business and People)***

- [AnyWho](#)
- [Switchboard](#)

### ***Electronic Books***

- [The University of Virginia Electronic Text Center](#) - Approximately 70,000 on- and off-line humanities texts in thirteen languages, with more than 350,000 related images.
- [The Online Books Page](#) - a web site at the University of Pennsylvania that facilitates access to books that are freely readable over the Internet.
- [Project Gutenberg](#) - an archive of more than 13,000 free electronic books.
- [OverDrive](#) - BDL Library patrons may check out free ebooks!

### ***Encyclopedias***

- [Encyclopædia Britannica](#)
- [Wikipedia](#)

### ***Entertainment***

- [Internet Movie Database](#)
- [FreeDB](#) - Audio CD index

### ***Finance***

- [AnnualCreditReport.com](#)
- [Bankrate](#) - wide variety of financial information

- [CD Deposit Rates Exchange](#) - Compare Deposit Interest Rates Worldwide
- [Quote.com](#) - Stock information
- [Foreign Exchange Currency Converter](#)

### ***Genealogy***

- [Cyndi's List](#)
- [DAR Genealogical Research System](#)
- [Michigan Death Index](#)

### ***Health and Wellness***

- [NIH Clinical Alerts and Advisories](#)
- [MedlinePlus](#)
- [National Cancer Institute](#)
- [PubMed Central](#)
- [ClinicalTrials.gov](#) - provides regularly updated information about federally and privately supported clinical research in human volunteers.
- [Internet Drug Index](#)
- [HealthFinder](#) - a Service of the National Health Information Center
- [Kid's Health](#)

### ***Internet Directories***

- [MeL Subject Gateways](#) (No logon required) - A collection of sites on the Internet, selected by experts in their fields and organized by subject.
- [Yahoo! Directory](#)
- [The Open Directory Project](#)

### ***Legal Resources***

- [FindLaw](#)
- [Legal Dictionary](#)
- [U.S. Legal Forms](#)
- [American Bar Association's LawInfo](#)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#)
- [Equal Employment Opportunity Commission](#)

### ***Libraries and Special Collections***

- [ibiblio](#) - An online public library and digital archive.
- [The Library of Congress](#)
- [The Smithsonian Institution](#)

## Resources Offered to Branch District Library Patrons... (Continued)

### ***Libraries and Special Collections***

- [Making of America](#) - a digital library of primary sources in American social history from the antebellum period through reconstruction, located at the University of Michigan.
- [The Internet Archive](#)
- [The New York Public Library Digital Gallery](#)
- [Digital Projects at the Detroit Public Library](#)
- [Seeking Michigan](#)

### ***Michigan Government Information***

- [Publius](#) - Michigan Voter information and registration
- [State of Michigan](#)
- [Michigan Works](#)
- [Michigan Legislature](#)
- [Michigan Public Sex Offender Registry](#)
- [Michigan Department of Natural Resources](#)

### ***Science***

- [Best Science Websites](#)
- [EurekaAlert](#) - "The premier web site for science news since 1996."
- [Hubble Space Telescope Pictures](#)

### ***Statistics***

- [Kids Count Annual Data Book](#) - from the Annie E. Casie Foundation
  - [Kids Count in Michigan](#)
- [Statistical Abstract of the United States](#)
- [Guide to state statistical abstracts](#)
- [FedStats](#) - gateway to statistics from over 100 U.S. governmental agencies
- [UNESCO Statistics](#)
- [Statistical Resources on the Web](#) - a comprehensive list from the University of Michigan
- [State Health Facts](#)

### ***U.S. Government Information***

- [FirstGov](#) - The U.S. Government's Official Web Portal

- [Federal Citizen Information Center](#)
- [GPO Access](#) - Portal to U.S. government publications
- [50States.com](#) - basic information on all 50 states and their capitals
- [National Technical Information Service](#)
- [Tax Forms for all states](#)
- [Thomas](#) - U.S. legislative information
- [U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services](#)
- [Medicare](#)

### ***Weather***

- [The National Weather Service](#)
- [World Weather Information Service](#)

### ***Other***

- [The Quotations Page](#) - famous quotations
- [How Stuff Works](#)
- [Great Web Sites for Kids](#) - from the American Library Association
- [Citation Style for Research Papers](#) - comparison of APA, MLA, Chicago, Turabian, and AMA citation styles
- [Avoiding Plagiarism/Citation Guide](#)

## **New York Best Seller List**

### **COMBINED PRINT & E-BOOK FICTION**

1. **THE LONGEST RIDE**, by Nicholas Sparks
2. **THANKLESS IN DEATH**, by J. D. Robb
3. **THE FINAL CUT**, by Catherine Coulter and J. T. Ellison
4. **THE QUEST**, by Nelson DeMille
5. **NEVER GO BACK**, by Lee Child

### **COMBINED PRINT & E-BOOK NONFICTION**

1. **SI-COLOGY 1**, by Si Robertson with Mark Schlabach
2. **STILL FOOLIN' 'EM**, by Billy Crystal
3. **ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK**, by Piper Kerman
4. **HAPPY, HAPPY, HAPPY**, by Phil Robertson with Mark Schlabach
5. **EMPTY MANSIONS**, by Bill Dedman and Paul Clark Newell Jr.

## Annual Friends of the Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Library invites you to renew or begin your membership. The membership begins January 2013. 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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