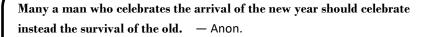
# Quincy Branch Library

# **Branch Manager's Message**

Winter is upon us and we wish all our library patrons and supporters a wonderful new year in 2022.

This newsletter issue contains tidbits of the past, including the very first Friends of the Library newsletter from January 1982. Local donations, the Friends group, the NIKA ladies club, the Advisory Board and so many others are what help make this library what it is today, 111 years from it's very start. Take a look below at what it took to make this lovely 1910 building.

Lisa L. Wood, Branch Manager



The promise of spring's arrival is enough to get anyone through the bitter winter! - Jen Selinsky



January 2022

### Expenditures in 1910:

Purchase of lot	\$1200.09
Grading and filling lo	ot 446.84
Heating plant	500.00
Plumbing	91.00
Furniture	187.49
Book racks	206.00
Shade trees	20.30
Building	7947.19
Books purchased	226.50
Cash on hand	<u>394.68</u>
Total Expenses	\$11,214.00

Grab 'n Go kits are available for adults, teens and children at all six of our branches, just call and choose a pickup branch.

Check out our Facebook page on Friday's to see what is offered.

**Upcoming Quincy kits:** 

- ♦ Polar Bear Kit
- No Sew Handwarmers Kit
  - ♦ Love Bug Kit
  - ♦ Candy Sushi Kit
  - Book Hedgehog



Mark your Calendars: John S. Geisler, Professor Emeritus from Western Michigan University will present his **US 12**Part 2 presentation at the Quincy Methodist Church, Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:30 pm. There is no charge to attend this program.

**Adam Miller,** Folksinger, Storyteller and Autoharp virtuoso will present his concert at the Quincy Methodist Church, Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:30 pm at no charge to the public.





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### **Quincy Library Hours**

Mon 10-6 Thu Closed Tue 8-5 Fri 8-5 Wed 8-5 Sat 8-12

Sun-Closed

The **Branch District Library System** has six library branches to serve you:

Algansee, Bronson, Coldwater, Quincy, Sherwood and Union Twp.



### **In Appreciation for Donations**

In Memory of... From:

Margaret Kaiser Wava Gano

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Patricia Williams Rock & Barb Rockhold
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Ellen Ives

Colleen Johnson

In Honor of.... Dan & Judy Dobson From: Evlyn & Leon Parrish

**Donations From:** Steve & Mary Ann Dobson, Carlene Calhoun, NIKA, Judy & Dan Dobson, Rabbi Jeff and Mindy Glickman, Linda Burke

**The Quincy Branch Library memorial program** has been in place for a number of years which offers individuals the opportunity to give toward book purchases *In Memory of* someone special or *In Honor of* someone special or a special occasion.

Checks to the **Quincy Library Foundation** can be mailed to 11 N. Main Street, Quincy, MI 49082 with information containing the individual's name and who the gift is from. Please provide a name and address of a family member and the library will send a notification card to the family indicating that a gift has been given in their loved one's name.

New books are purchased for the library collection according to need, but we gladly welcome subject matters or titles also that reflect the person in whose name the gift is being given. Book plaques are added inside the book front cover before being displayed on library shelves.

Gifts can also be designated to our Project Fund, which is used for library building needs. Previous projects have supported new lighting, a book drop and shelving.

From The Contact paper December 4, 1970

Bollegrafs Get New Look!

Mr. and Mrs. Seamon Bollegraf have enlarged their department store by adding the former Wallace Restaurant to the building they already occupy.

After forty years in the restaurant business Joy and Si Everts retired and the Bollegrafs remodeled the building into one of the finest and best stocked department stores in Branch County.

They carry a most complete line of clothing and shoes for the entire family.

The Contact—January 28, 1972

New Business Opens in Quincy

The D and R Dime Store will open their doors for business and hopefully all of the readers of the Contact will drop in and browse. The store is being opened after being closed for quite some time and it will certainly be a decided improvement to the business section of Quincy to have this business in operation. We wish them every success in their endeavor!





Tugboat operated by John McCarthy towing a "scow". He worked for the Wolverine Cement plant on the channel between Marble Lake and Archer Lake. The cement plant closed in 1947. (From The Contact January 7, 1972)



**Friends of the Library** met for their annual gathering at our branch in October. Most all branches were represented and wonderful treats from the Amish Goodie Shoppe were enjoyed. Tickets were drawn throughout the event for giveaways.

### Thank you!

**November Book Sale workers:** Leslie & Gary Walp, Shirley Brand, Linda Bailey, Becky Mitchell, Denise Kurtz, Jody Willard, Donna Ford, Bonnie Frick and Sue Webb.

**Quincy Lights Letters to Santa workers:** Wava Gano and Barb Rockhold

Margaret King: for the donation of Little Women china face dolls and settee set for our children's room. Dolls and clothing were made by Maurine Olney.

# **Spring forward**

Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday.

Sunday, March 13 TIME CHANGE!



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### **Upcoming Events:**

Story Hour each Friday at 10 am for 2-5 year olds; no need for advance sign up

**Winter Blahs Contest**—for adults 18 and up — Enter your name for every book read in the month of February; the winning name will be drawn March 1 for a goodie bag or gas card.

**Bring Your Child to the Library Day!** Saturday, February 5, 2022 during our open hours, 8-noon. Children receive goodies and treats for visiting!

**Cookies, Cocoa & Coloring for adults**—Saturday, February 12 and March 12 from 8-12.

**One Book, One County book discussion** — Saturday, March 26 at 10am with Jeanne Berg facilitating the discussion on the title, "Written in Bone; Hidden Stories in What We Leave Behind" by Sue Black. No need for advance sign up to join in. Refreshments will be provided. Copies are available for checkout at our six branches and in Hoopla.

Put June 3 & 4 on your calendar for the next Friends Book Sale!







### Friends of the Quincy Library Update:

We will have our first meeting of the year on Tuesday, April 26 at 4pm in the library lower level. Anyone is welcome to attend and bring a friend so we will have more Friends!

The Friends of the Library meet the fourth Tuesday from April to October. There is accessibility on the north side ramp of our building.

Our Quincy Friends of the Library was established in 1981 and our first newsletter from January 1982 is enclosed in this current newsletter for your enjoyment.

### The Correct Way to Spell Potato

If GH can stand for **P** as in 'hiccough,' If OUGH can stand for O as in 'dough,' If PHTH can stand for T as in 'phthisis',' If EIGH can stand for A as in 'neighbor,' If TTE can stand for **T** as in 'gazette,' If EAU can stand for **O** as in 'plateau,' Then the correct way to spell potato would ĥе

### GHOUGHPHTHEIGHTTEEAU.

### New Pork Times Best Sellers Fiction

- Call Us What We Carry by Amanda Gorman
- The Judge's List by John Grisham 2.
- Go Tell the Bees That I Am Gone by Diana Gabaldon 8. Fear No Evil by James Patterson
- The Stranger in the Lifeboat by Mitch Albom
- *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles
- 6. Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult
- 7. The Wish by Nicholas Sparks
- 9. Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr
- 10. The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

### Best Sellers Nonfiction

- 1. All American Christmas by Rachel Campos-Duffy and Sean Duffy
- The Storyteller by Dave Grohl 2.
- The 1619 Project Edited by Nikole Hannah-Jones, Caitlyn Roper, Ilena Silverman
- Will by Will Smith 4.
- The Lyrics: 1956 to Present by Paul McCartney
- For Such a Time as This by Kayleigh McEnany
- There and Back by Jimmy Chin 7.
- The President and the Freedom Fighter by Brian Kilmeade
- The Real Anthony Fauci by Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
- 10. The Beatles: Get Back by The Beatles

### You haven't lived here until...

You learn about Abraham Lincoln's ties to Michigan

- Lincoln's famous exclamation "Thank God for Michigan," was said upon seeing troops arrive from hundreds of miles away to join the Union Army during the Civil War.
- Why is there a car company with his name? Henry Leland was a big fan of the 16th president, so when he founded the company in 1917, then building aircraft, he named it after Lincoln. Ford Motor bought the business in 1922.
- The great emancipator's practically an honorary Michiganian. Lincoln is the person credited with coining the term 'Michigander.'
- Did he visit the state? Yes, once on August 27, 1856. Lincoln traveled from Chicago to Kalamazoo to campaign for Republican presidential candidate John C. Fremont. "The question of slavery, at the present day, should be not only the greatest question, but the sole question," he told those gathered to hear him speak. "We have been deploring the fact that slavery exists among us." Fremont lost to democrat James Buchanan. Lincoln would succeed Buchanan.
- Did Lincoln have anything to do with the state after he became President? Kind of. Luther Baker—the Secret Service investigator who helped capture Lincoln's assassin, John Wilkes Booth—later moved to Lansing.

### Library Shelf Sitters are still available at the library for \$20



You are currently receiving this newsletter from the Friends of the Library. If you would like your name removed from the mailing list, please email us at: quincy@branchdistrictlibrary.org or call the library at 639.4001



### 10 American novels that became silver screen classics

- Adventures of Huckleberry Finn; Mark Twain's novel about a runaway boy and slave on a Mississippi River raft adventure has been both celebrated and censored since its publication in 1884.
- Forrest Gump; the 1994 movie based on Winston Groom's 1986 novel is one of 17 books he has penned, though none matched the success of Forrest Gump, whose sales have exceeded 2.5 million since release of the film.
- The Last of the Mohicans; James Fenimore Cooper's 1826 novel remains widely read in American classrooms despite its long length and formal prose. Set during the French and Indian War (17567-1763), the story focuses on the conflict between Britain and French, each aided by American Indian allies, to control the North American colonies.
- Moby-Dick: Herman Melville's 1851 tale of Captain Ahab's obsessive hunt for a great white whale has achieved almost mythical status, though the book never sold more than 3,000 copies during Melville's lifetime.
- The Searchers; Named the greatest Western of all time by the American Film Institute, this 1856 film directed by John Ford stars John Wayne as a Civil War veteran searching for his abducted niece during the Texas-Indian wars.
- To Kill a Mockingbird; Set in a 1930s fictional Alabama town, Harper Lee's 1960 Pulitzer Prize-winning book was an immediate success. Lee created one of literature's most memorable characters in lawyer Atticus Finch, charged with defending Tom Robinson, a falsely accused black man.
- Gone With the Wind; The Civil War-era romance of Scarlett O'Hara, the spoiled daughter of a plantation owner, and Rhett Butler, a charming rascal, was the only novel published by Margaret Mitchell and an instant best-seller. The Pulitzer Prize-winning 1936 book has sold more than 30 million copies.
- The Grapes of Wrath; Nine of Nobel Prize winner John Steinbeck's 27 books were adapted for theatrical films, but his Pulitzer Prize-winning The Grapes of Wrath (1939) is considered Steinbeck's greatest work. Set during the Great Depression, the novel depicts the travails of the Joads, a poor Oklahoma farm family fleeing the Dust Bowl in search of a better life in California.
- The Wizard of Oz; L. Frank Baum's children's fantasy was an overnight success in 1900, leading Baum to write 13 more Oz books. The story of Kansas farm girl Dorothy and her dog Toto, blown by a cyclone to the mythical Land of Oz and befriended by a cowardly lion, a scarecrow and a tin man, was adapted for two silent movies before the Academy Award-winning 1939 Technicolor version was released.

### Points to Ponder...

- Leonardo Da Vinci invented the scissors.
- Maine is the only state whose name just one syllable.
- No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver or
- On a Canadian two dollar bill, the flag flying over the Parliament building is an American flag.
- Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.
- Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.
- ABSTEMIOUS and FACETIOUS are the two most commonly used English words that have their vowels in alphabetical order.
- TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.
- Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.
- Women blink nearly twice as much as
- Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks; otherwise it will digest itself.
- "Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".
- February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full
- In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated.
- If you are an average American, in your whole life, you will spend an average of 6 months waiting at red lights.
- It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.



### **Top Ten Spelling Peeves**

- "Your" and "You're" are not the same words.
  The contraction of "could have" is not spelled "could of."
  "Then" shows sequencing of events. "Than" is used for comparison.
  Most of the time, "affect" is a verb, and "effect" is a noun.
  "There," "they're," and "their" are completely different words. 3.
- 4.
- "to," "too," and "two" are also completely different words.
- D-E-F-I-N-I-T-E-L-Y there is definitely no 'A' in that word. Your pants are "loose." You "lose" your keys. You "bear" weight with your "bare" hands.

- 10. "A lot" is always two words.

# 2022 Quincy Branch Library Advisory Board

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### 2022 Friends of the Library Board

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### ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Friends of the Library invite you to renew or begin your membership at any time, though membership typically begins January of each year. Please complete the information below, enclose a check payable to: *Friends of the Quincy Library*. Mail to the library or to: Teddy Sinclair, 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.

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Address:		
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# January 2022

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mon., Tues., Fri.

2 - 9 PM Wednesday

Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM

Closed Thursday

STORY HOUR

3:15 - 4:00 PM PHONE: 639-4001

January, 1982

2 - 6 PM

CREETINGS FOR 1982: The Friends of the Quincy Public Library send you good wishes for the new year. This is the first issue of a newsletter which we hope to publish at least quarterly. When our organization really gets going, maybe it can be a monthly undertaking.

We hope to acquaint you with our new group and our aims and goals for helping the library become of greater service to the people of Quincy and Quincy Township. So read on to find out what is going on....

WE ORGANIZED - A group of women who had shown interest in our library met over a year ago at the home of Jane Schultz to see if there was enough interest to form a group dedicated to assisting our library. An informal core group has been working since that time, donating time at the library (filing, typing, clipping, assisting at the desk, etc.) We have also met and made plans for assisting in a story hour for preschool children, a summer reading program and publishing a newsletter.

We decided that to be a member of the Friends of the Library would include \$3 yearly dues and participation in whatever activities of the library appealed to you. To be an Associate Member would cost \$5 yearly and would be in a financial support mode only, for those who support the library but do not have any extra time. Contributions from groups or individuals are also welcomed and will be put toward current projects. Contributions of service only are appreciated too.

The library offers many services and is now trying to continue these services and add even more while at the same time having to do with less help due to the new economic decisions of the government. We are trying to help fill the gap. If you are interested in learning more, contact Dorothy Marshall or any of our officers who are: Co-Presidents, Connie Karney and Leonna Hard; Treas., Catherine Red; Secretary, Ruth Smith. Monthly meetings are held at 10:00 AM on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

SOME PROJECTS: Our first undertaking of the year was to help with the summer reading program at the library. We had 100 children participating and that was the largest group that the library has ever had. The summer included the usual pet parade through downtown Quincy. Dorothy started this program three years ago and it grows each year.

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CHILDREN'S STORY HOUR is now being held on Wednesday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:00 PM. This started on December 2. Some of the people who have helped with this so far are: Karen Karney, Connie Karney, Joanne Gilchrest and Leonna Hard. We need some more younger mothers with children in this age group to help with this. (Could you come in and read a few stories one day a month? Or help keep order in the group while someone else reads? We need you.)

OUR FIRST money-making project was a baked goods sale at the Community Lazaar held at the Legion Home. With the proceeds, we will purchase a postal permit for mailing this newsletter. The permit costs \$70 for the first year and it will also cost about 4¢ to mail each copy. We thank the Legion Auxiliary for letting us join the bazaar.

IF YOU HAVE A GOOD IDEA FOR OUR LIBRARY, LET US KNOW!

LET'S KEEP OUR LIERARY GROWING! 

### HISTORY OF OUR LILRARY

The following remarks were condensed from articles found in the safety deposit box of the Quincy Township Library Board, the primary one written in 1911.

The growth of the library idea in Quincy started in 1870 when ladies of the village and township formed a Literary Society and put on a course of lectures. The venture was both an intellectual and a financial success and with the money obtained, a collection of books was started. These volumes were added to from time to time until about 400 books were in the Library. It was kept in private houses and books circulated until 1880 when the organization disbanded and the books were given to the public school.

A meeting was called on January 9, 1898, under the supervision of a young lady teacher, Miss Frey. The Ladies Library Association was organized and from the small beginning of fifty books, grew to include more than 1000 volumes.

In January of 1908, Mr. C. W. Lennett offered warranty deeds for his store in Quincy and his home in Coldwater to the Library Foard of Quincy Twp. "for the purpose of aiding to establish a free Public Library in Quincy, Mich." The Township Loard appointed a library board consisting of W. H. Lockerby, Alfred L. Lowen, Chisholm McKay, Lyman O. Peebles, Hiram Lennett and Melvin Segur. On June 30, 1908, Mr. Bennett deeded the lot on the west side of North Main Street to the Library Loard. In April, 1909, at the township election, the six-person provisional board was elected to a permanent board, two members to be elected each year. (We are still using this system. We have a six-person board, each member elected for a three-year term and two members are elected each year. The current board consists of Marie Jennings, Eeryl Zuercher, Sue Vozar, Eobbie Erickey, Gladys Parkinson and Jane Ealdwin.)

There was some discussion of locating the new building in the Village Park, but Mr. Lockerby was able to purchase the Reading lot adjacent to the Lennett lot on North Main, so it was decided to build the library there. Mr. Bennett subsequently gave the library \$1200 worth of Southern Michigan Telephone stock which paid for the Reading lot - making Mr. I ennett the outright donor of the library site.

Work on the lot started in 1909 and all exterior work was completed in the summer of 1910. The winter of 1910 and early 1911 was spent finishing and decorating the interior. On June 12, 1911, the Ladies Library Association turned over their books, more than 1000 in number, to the new Quincy Township Public Library. In late October, 1911, 45 of the 47 businesses located in Quincy signed an agreement to close their businesses on November 1, "between the hours of two and three-thirty in appreciation of the gift of a free Public Library, and as a mark of respect to Mr. C. W. Bennett, the donor." That day saw the formal dedication of the new building.

In February of 1936, the Quincy Library Loard petitioned the Township Board for a place on the spring ballot to allow a 12 mill levy for the support and maintenance of the library. This tax was levied for a time but was dropped from the ballot in the forties because of local bad times.

In 1947, Quincy Township Library entered into a contract with the Franch County Library, agreeing to become known as the Quincy Franch of the Eranch County Library. This contract was renewed in May of 1973.

Today the Quincy Township Library is supported by a combination of township and county library monies, club and personal gifts. The recently formed Friends Organization is steadily increasing its donations of time and service in support of our library. We are one of the largest branches in both volumes and circulation.

The library property and building are owned by Quincy Township and the township is responsible for the maintenance of the building and grounds. It also provides monies for the utilities for the library and subsidizes the employees wages. The Quincy Library Loard meets monthly and transacts all business pertaining to our library.

HOW LONG has it been since you visited the library? Do you know that we have started a new genealogy section? We hope to enlarge this and add newspaper clippings from years gone by on the different families of the Quincy area as well as current news items. (Does this sound like something you might like to help with?)

Do you know we have a microfilm reader to use with old census information and other items?

Do you know that we have a copier and will make copies for 15¢ each?

Do you know that we have a section of large print books?

Do you know that we have thousands of books available from our association with the Woodlands Co-op?

Do you know that all of our stacks are open stacks and you are welcome to browse through them?

Do you know that you can check out magazines as well as books and that the library has subscriptions to 62 magazines?

Do you know that new books of fiction are arranged in a rack on one side of the entrance door and new non-fiction is on the other side so that you can quickly select one of the new books you have been hearing about?

Do you know we have a memorial program for providing books in memory of a loved one?

Do you have a current library card?

Do you know we have an excellent library staff that is anxious to welcome you to the library and help you in any way they can? Come on in:

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IN MEMORY!

MEMORIAL PROGRAM - Recently our librarian heard that the local flower shop is no longer offering the service of being able to call in and donate small individual amounts of money which would be grouped together to purchase a floral tribute to a deceased friend.

Dorothy immediately contacted the Friends group to see if they would like to sponsor a memorial program to aid neighbors and friends in being able to donate in memory of someone. The funds would be used to purchase a book or books in the amount of the total donated and a card would be sent immediately to the family of the departed so they would know that you had remembered their loved one with a lasting gift. The Friends thought this was an excellent service and encourage you to think of this when an occasion arises that you might like to use this service. This will be called the "Friends Memorial Plan."

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SOME OF the ladies who have been involved in the Friends group so far are: Ruth Smith, Leonna Hard, Connie Karney, Catherine Red, Donna Omo, Allene Foster, Arlene Lowerman, Alice Warner, Kathryn Hutchins, Eeverly Dull, Marian Smith, Jane Schultz, Jane Ealdwin, Vivian Leatherman, Ruth Loveberry, Eileen Mueller, Vivian Esterline and Danette Wyatt.

THANKS - We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dobson for a contribution of \$25 to help us get our first newsletter out. We appreciate it!

(Remember, all contributions are tax deductible.)

PUPPETS - A nice display of puppets (which are for sale for \$1 up) has been arranged at the library by Mrs. Ruth Smith, who made and donated them. These would make a nice gift for your child and would help the library at the same time. Stop in to see them.

OTHER MEMORIALS

Many people and groups have given books in memory of others in the past. A list is kept of these gifts in the memorial Gift look. We are also hoping to have a bulletin board display of current memorials in the near future. (Is this a project you might like to help organize?)

RECENT MEMORIALS	IN MEMORY OF	LY
The Rifle Fook by Jack O'Connor	Freston Trenary	His children
Adcanced Woodworking and Furniture Making by J. Fierer	Artyle Omo	Union Church
The Lear in the Fathtub	Derek Wood	Rick and Sandy Earrett
The Solar Greenhouse by James NcCullough	Crace Milliman	Friends
How to Make Colonial Furniture	Arfyle Omo	Ir. Cty. Retired Teachers Assoc.
hir. and hrs. Pig's Night Out	Derek Wood	His parents.
Women of Achievement	Lassie Coursey	American Legion Auxiliary
Ride the Man Down (Large Print)	Ralph Iroad	Friends
Faseball's 100	Ralph Iroad	Union Church

Our library also gratefully accepts donations of books or magazines which you no longer need.

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