

— Quincy Branch Library —

April 2025

Note From Branch Manager—Sarah Strong

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and a cozy winter. But thank goodness Spring is finally here!

It's been quite busy here in the library -

- I have exciting news! After 2+ years in the making the Bookmobile has officially arrived in Branch County! Yay! The Outreach Manager is working hard at getting everything put together to get it 'Event Ready' as soon as we can. Be on the lookout for it around town!
- Quincy Branch staffing update—Nikkia (Kia) Cronk made a big life change and moved to Florida. With that being said,

the Quincy Clerk position is open again and we've been looking for a candidate to fill this position.

- We've done so many crafts and events over the past few months – here are just a few: made fake snow, did some junk journaling, had a Stand-up Comedian, Valentine's Day crafts, made bird houses, made diffuser bracelets, made DIY bouncy balls (which turned out fantastic!), St Patrick's Day crafts, and many, many story times in between all of those. I'd love to see you at one of our fun events!
- I was able to partner with Quincy Middle School and Jennings Elementary for March

is Reading Month this year and it has been so wonderful to see so many kiddos excited about books\the library!

- Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary came back to the library and we had just over 100 people in total show up for that event! It was a very busy and fun time!
- Please check out what events we have coming up at: <https://www.branchdistrictlibrary.org/calendar#/events/>

Happy Spring! I'm definitely looking forward to more sunshine



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Quincy Library Hours

Mon 10-5:30 Thu 10-5:30

Tue 10-5:30 Fri 10-5:30

Wed 10-6:00 Sat 10-1:00

Sun-Closed

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

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



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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* 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.



**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

CRAFT & HOBBY

Craft & Hobby is at your library! Unlock your creative potential with the largest resource of video-on-demand learning in the craft and hobby space. Learn at your own pace with step-by-step tutorials in 20 different creative interests.



BranchDistrictLibrary.org/craft



Library Advisory Board Honors Judy Dobson

Judy Dobson was recently honored by the Quincy Library Advisory Board for her 40 years of Service as a Board member. In addition, Judy served 36 of those years as the Advisory Board Secretary.

Judy was honored with a framed photo and plaque that is displayed in the southwest side of the Quincy Library. Judy was also presented with flowers and refreshments by the Board.



Digital Library

Great digital resources to keep you connected to the library. Just use your library card, from ANY location!

Libby: E-books, Audiobooks, and Magazines.

Hoopla: Movies, TV, Music, E-books, Audiobooks, Comics, Craft Classes

Mango: Instructions in over 70 languages

Consumer Reports: Ratings and reviews for thousands of products

Tutor.com: Live daily online tutoring

Ancestry Library: Genealogy (In-Library use only)

ABCmouse.com: Interactive Educational Games for kids (In-Library use only)



PUZZLES

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Thank you for all the puzzles that have been donated. Librarian Sarah Strong says come on in and pick a puzzle to exchange. She has a huge supply so does not need any more donations at this time.

Thank you.

Happy puzzle working!!

Put June 6 & 7 on your calendar for the next Friends Book Sale!



Remember! Friends Book Sales are the first Friday & Saturday in June & November

Friends of the Quincy Library Update:



Dear Friends,

I hope everyone had a good winter and are enjoying this lovely weather. Now we will say a little prayer it stays!

The Friends have been resting since the first of the new year, but we are getting in gear for our busy summer.

Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, April 15th at 4 pm. This will be our first Friends of the Library meeting of 2025. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month April-October. We have a busy summer planned and would be thrilled with more help!

Hope to see you at the Library-

Jody Willard, Quincy Friends of the Library President.

Did you Know...

Elizabeth Steingass, 2009 graduate of Quincy High School is a Children's Book artist! She is the artist, Illustrator, and owner of Elizabeth Steingass Art. She has 3 children's books that are published and available at our Quincy BDL Branch: *ABC*, *Puppy Goes Potty*, *BoBo The Hungry Bear That Wouldn't Share*. Elizabeth was recently the keynote speaker at the 102nd NIKA Senior Girls Tea for Quincy High School.

Upcoming Events:

Children's Events:

Storytime

Book, snack, and craft for ages 2-5.

Weekly on Friday, 10:30

Storytime at Little Orioles Preschool

Read a variety of books and do an activity sheet.

Held at 15 E. Liberty St. in Quincy at Little Orioles Preschool
Weekly on Thursday, 11:00

Flower Suncatcher Wind Chimes

Paint a flower suncatcher and turn it into wind chimes.

Mon., Apr. 7, 3:30

Easter Craft!

Come make a F-U-N Easter craft with us!

Mon., Apr. 14, 3:30

Beautiful Butterflies

Create some beautiful butterflies out of coffee filters.

Mon., Apr. 21, 3:30

Homemade Mother's Day Crafts

Make a 'BEST MOM' sign and a homemade bouquet of flowers for Mother's Day.

Mon., May 5, 3:30

Unique Air Dry Clay Magnets

Create fun and unique magnets using air drying clay.

Mon., May 12, 3:30

Let's Make SLIME!

Come 'Make, Play, & Take' with slime!

Mon., May 19, 3:30

Teen Events (ages 12-17):

Easter Crafting

Use paint to create a charming Easter bunny.

Wed., Apr. 16, 3:30

Potted Felt Succulent Plant

Create succulents out of felt and pot them to make them look like a real cute plant.

Wed., Apr. 30, 3:30

Locker Magnets

Make your own fun and unique magnets using air drying clay.

Wed., May 7, 3:30

Mason Jar Vase Painting

Make a unique flower vase by painting a mason jar, and we'll provide your first set of flowers to display in it.

Wed., May 21, 3:30

Adult:

Mindful Magic

Tue., Mar. 18, Apr. 15, May 20, 5:30

Wooden Bunny Painting Class

Mon., Apr. 7, 10:30

Build Your Own Terrarium

Mon., May 12, 10:30

Friends of the Library

BOOK SALE

Quincy Branch

Library

11 N Main St., Quincy, MI

Friday, June 6th

10:00-5:30

Saturday, June 7th

10:00-1:00

\$1.00 to fill a bag
Buy a new book bag for
\$10.00 and fill for free



We're looking for volunteers!

If you would like to help out
please let Sarah know!



On February 3, Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary from Athens brought a selection of animals to showcase and share with the children. There was a chance to hold some of the animals and take photos. The crowd of over 100 people LOVED the presentation! Check out all of the upcoming FUN events hosted by the Quincy Library staff!

Quincy Chamber Connection

Spring and summer are almost here, and with that, the Quincy Chamber and the Village have a full slate of activities to welcome the nice weather.

The first event will be Saturday, April 19, in the park. The Steam Train is coming to town and, is doing an Easter Egg Hunt! Not only are children, who ride the train invited, but any other child in the community is invited to participate. There will be two times: 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Just show up at the Quincy Park.

Another event is the 3rd Annual Welcome Back to the Lake event, which will be Saturday, May 17, from 11:00 to 2:00, at Tip Up Island. This event is not just for "lakers". It is for the entire community. We will have boats and lake items for sale, and on display. There will be many vendors, from travel agents, to crafters, and local merchandise sales. The U.S. Coast Guard and the Marble Chain of Lakes Assoc. will be there. Visit the awesome display presented by the Quincy Historical Society. There will also be "Kids' Games" and a free lunch, with hot dogs, salad, chips and a drink. Come join us—it is great fun!

On the same day, the county-wide 517 Day will take place. The theme is that "517 is not just a date, it is not just an area code, it is the place we call HOME". Watch for 517 specials, throughout the community, and at Tip Up, on that day.

Don't forget about the Annual 4th of July parade, that will take place, in the Village, on July 4. Line up starts at 10:00 and the parade "rolls" at 11:00. The Marble Chain of Lakes fireworks will be at Marble Lake, on Friday, July 3. Sponsors of these events are the Village of Quincy, the Quincy Chamber of Commerce, the Marble Chain of Lakes Association, the Quincy Historical Society and the Little River Railroad.

Hope you can join us to celebrate
all that Quincy has to offer!



**2025 Quincy Branch Library
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2025 Friends of the Library Board

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Rachel Hard—Publisher

Quincy Branch Library Staff:

Branch Manager—Sarah Strong
Clerk—TBD

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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.

Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Membership: \$5.00

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SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 7, 2025

1 PM

Quincy Historical Society

Annual Meeting

CELEBRATING --

Quincy Businesses here for 50 years plus

Come join us at the Quincy Park Pavillion

Bring your favorite Potluck dish

Meat, drinks, table service provided

517-639-4595

History of Branch Co, Mi. Everts & Abbott 1899

CEMETERIES.

The first board of health was appointed at an annual township-meeting held in 1839, and consisted of Peter M. Newberry, James Smith, Bartholomew Hewett, Ellis Russell, and John Broughton.

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At a meeting of the board of health, convened at the house of Joseph Berry, March 7, 1840, they contracted with said Berry for one acre of ground for burial purposes, at \$30. They also contracted with John Broughton to clear the same, and make a good and sufficient post and rail fence around it for the consideration of \$30, said fence to be six rails high, and to make a permanent gate six feet wide, on the west side, and to be done by the 6th of April following.

At the annual town-meeting of 1840, \$60 was voted to pay for the ground, and the clearing and fencing of the same. Jan. 21, 1841, the work was examined, found done according to contract, and accepted.

This was the old burying-ground.

Dr. I. P. Alger, of Coldwater, was in town Monday, seeing to the erection of a monument in Lakeview cemetery over the grave of a relative. While in town he called at this office, and we learned that he helped to build the fence around Quincy's first cemetery, away back in 1840. He and Daniel Berry dug the first grave in it, for Mrs. Miller, who lived just south of town, on the place now owned by Styles Carpenter.—Quincy Herald. The Courier 21 Mar 1892 P4C2

May 23, 1855, the board of health purchased from Elias G. Berry four acres of ground, and at the same date, from Timothy Hews and D. B. Parinton, a like amount, all of it for the consideration of \$50 per acre. This plat is situated upon section 21 southeast, one half-mile from the village proper, and within the corporate limits. It is described in the survey as follows: "Beginning upon the north and south quarter line of section 21 in Quincy township, 12 1/2 feet south of the north quarter post, and running thence west at right angles, to said line, four chains; thence south parallel with said line, ten chains; thence east at right angles to said line, eight chains; thence north parallel with said line, ten chains; thence west at right angles to said line, four chains to the place of beginning, and containing eight acres."

Upon the completion of necessary improvements the bodies were removed from the old burying-ground before mentioned to the new cemetery.

A cemetery is also located upon section 25, in the southeast part of the township.

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- Lakeview

1868 moved to
new cemetery
(38 graves?)

4 Towns - Lake Cemetery
Grange Corner Wildwood & Maple Rd.