

— Quincy Branch Library —

Note From Branch Manager—Sarah Strong

October 2026

It's hard to believe that summer is over and we're hanging on to the last few days of warm weather. But now onto my favorite time of year ... FALL! Or as some like to call it the "ber" months.

While we took a "break" from programs in August, we were still super busy and gearing up for a great set of fall programs -

- We were super sad to see summer and all the warm weather go but Tracy and I are looking forward to the exciting new programs we have planned for this fall. We've already had quite a few fun ones, like "Books, Coffee, & Conversation" book talk at Refuge, Piggie and Elephant Meet & Greet, Mario cart races, our annual Stuffy Sleepover, and I am back to doing story times with the elementary and preschool since school is back in session.
- The bookmobile was at the fair all week this year and I was able to work a shift on the book mobile during fair – that was

actually super fun! I got to see some of my regular patrons from Quincy along with many others that visit our other branches on a regular basis. We also had kiddos stopping in because they heard we were "the cool stop with the candy highlighters". Needless to say, I think everyone loved having the bookmobile at the fair this year!

- We put in a really cute fall book in the story walk. The story we changed it to is: "The Pumpkin Thief" by Alice Hemming. Even though it's a children's book, it's just a short walk with a cute story and activities to do on each page. If you haven't had a chance, be sure to check the story walk out *before snow flies* (sorry to use the "s" word here).
- We attended Quincy Daze and had some nice conversations with people as the came and checked out our booth. The kiddos especially loved being able to take a book home, along with some stickers, a smelly

bookmark, and a fun pencil topper. This event is always so much fun!

- I want to extend an extra "thank you" to my Friends group for being so supportive of all my crazy ideas but also for going the extra mile this summer with giving away backpacks to kiddos of school age filled with school supplies. I had countless patrons and kiddos so excited (and that gave them the extra push to finish the program this summer) that we were offering such nice prizes. Thank you, thank you, thank you <3
- I hope you and your family are able to visit your favorite fall spot, a pumpkin patch, and the best cider mill you can find. Have a happy Halloween, a good harvest, and the best spooky season!
- We have SO many awesome programs throughout the district for September, October, and November – be sure to check out our event calendar to see what fun activities you can participate in for FREE!

Winnie-The-Pooh turns 100 week!
@ Quincy Branch Library | All Ages



Tues, Oct 13–Sat, Oct 17

Winnie-the-Pooh turns 100 on October 14th! To celebrate his birthday, we have a week of fun planned! You can stop in anytime during business hours.

- Come make hunny pots and fill them up with lots of goodies we got for you anytime during the week.
- Search for the Winnie-the-Pooh scavenger hunt items.
- On his birthday come in for a cupcake and get a ticket to win one of our Winnie-the-Pooh stuffed animals.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Boo Bash
Monday, Oct. 26, 3:00 - 5:00
Celebrate Halloween with snacks, crafts, games, and more!
Bonus: if you come dressed in your costume you'll get a special prize! This is a drop-in program, you are welcome to come anytime.





Quincy Branch Library 1910

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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. 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.

A BEAUTIFUL WAY TO REMEMBER.

A LASTING IMPACT

With Every Book.

The **One Room School Reunion** was held at the Quincy United Methodist Church on September 13, 2026. We had 31 attendees from the following schools: Shooks Prairie, Lake, Todd Town, Allen, Williams, Brown Road, Ray, Indiana, Girard, Stokes Chapel, Brockelbank, Luce, Moore, Mudge, Snow Prairie, Jordan, Diamond, Dorrance, Lusk, Dobson.

Jennifer Court visited with news from the Quincy Alumni Association. She had several Quincy yearbooks which if you needed one for a certain year it was free. 1910 was the first yearbook and she has a copy. Yearbooks are now available online or you can view at the Quincy Library. She also had Alumni bulletins for free. We had many interesting one room school stories shared by the attendees.

Next year the reunion will be on September 12, 2027. We would love to see you there. If you have any questions, please call Wava Gano 517-877-0560. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please call.



Friends Group Donates Backpacks to Back to School Events

Pictured are Eli W and Harper C who are the lucky winners of the Quincy Friends of the Library backpacks. The group donated the backpacks full of school supplies as prizes at the Jennings Elementary and the Little Orioles Preschool *Back to School* events in August.



Coldwater Friends of the Branch District Library

Submitted by Jeanne Berg

Greetings from the Friends of the Library in Coldwater. As promised we are sharing what local book clubs are reading:

1. West With Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge a great story set during the 1930s depression about how 2 giraffes were brought from out east to the San Diego Zoo in California. You'll read about their struggles and triumphs in making a successful journey! I loved this story.
2. The Education of Little Tree by Forest Carter. Highly recommended reading for young adults and a coming of age story of a young boy being raised by his Cherokee grandfather
3. 100 years of Lenni and Margot by Marianne Cronin. Lenni 17 is a cancer patient and meets Margot who is 83 and their ages total 100. Fascinating talks with the hospital chapel Father on why living and dying are necessary. Their life stories are shared.
4. Theo of Golden by Allen Levi is on many booklists and I can't wait to read this one. The first novel by this author and promises to be well received
5. The Calamity Club is written by Kathryn Stockett, the same author as The Help. Another great read! You'll learn about the US civil rights movement.
6. Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver. I always like this author. Friendship and family relationships are shared
7. How to Read a Book by Monica Woods. I look forward to reading this and sharing a possible new way to discover reading.
8. The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. A story about love and communication in the digital age.

We hope this gives you an idea for your reading pleasure. Check out our books for sale in our on going book sale area. Books are sold for \$3.00 a bag as a suggested donation and most library branches have books, etc. for sale from their Friends groups. In addition to our ongoing sales area we do a major sale during Strawberry and Apple fest weekends. Come check us out! Check your local branch for Friends sales.

Note: we take donations if in good condition (no dictionaries or encyclopedias currently accepted).



Quincy Historical Society
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517-639-4595

Put November 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,

Summer has flown by and we are welcoming Fall. Our Friends group had a very busy summer helping out the library! The 4th of July pie sale was record setting—we raised over \$700! Thank you to all the lovely ladies that brought pies, set up and tore down and sell all those pies! And a special thanks to the Quincy Historical Society for letting us use your sidewalk for the event.

We also put together fun snack bag treats to give-away at Quincy Daze.

New this year, the Friends group sponsored prizes for the Summer Reading Program. Each school-aged *completer* of the program received a backpack full of school supplies. We gave away 58 backpacks!

In December, we are looking forward to Quincy Lights. The Friends are giving away “Snow Man Soup” and will have letters for the kids to write to Santa. We will also host our 2nd “Shenanigans with Santa” event on December 19 at the Union Church.

Our last meeting of the year will be October 27 at 4 pm in the downstairs of the library. Please join us, we are always happy to have you!

Hope to see you at the Library-
Jody Willard, Quincy Friends of the Library President

We had a BLAST! at our annual Stuffy Sleepover! Those silly stuffies did some crazy things - they played with legos, puzzles, scanned their faces on the copier, stuffed themselves into the gumball prize machine, and of course we read lots of books! This one is definitely a crowd favorite!

Upcoming Events:

Children's Events:

Storytime

A special time for toddlers with a book, snack and craft. For ages 2-5.

Weekly on Wednesday, 10:30

**Apples, Apples, Apples
Mon., Oct. 5, 3:30**

**Potions & Pumpkins
Mon., Oct. 19, 3:30**

**Boo Bash
Mon., Oct. 26, 3:00-5:00**

**Scarecrow Scavenge
Mon., Nov. 2, 3:30**

**Native American Heritage Month Crafts
Mon., Nov. 9, 3:30**

**Gobble, Gobble & Glue
Mon., Nov. 16, 3:30**

**The Gratitude Gobbler
Mon., Nov. 23, 3:30**

Teen Events (ages 12-17):

Snacks & Crafts

Wednesday, Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 11, Nov. 25, 3:30

Adult Events:

A Toast to Ghosts:

**Storytelling by Lou Ann Homan
Thu., Oct. 15, 6:00**

Murder Mystery Party:

**Midnight At The Masquerade
Tue., Oct. 20, 4:00
Please register for this event!**

**Ring-Around-The-Pumpkin
Tue., Nov. 10, 10:30
Please register for this event!**

**Looking Into the Past
Thu., Nov. 19, 5:00**

All Ages Events:

**Winnie the Pooh Turns 100
Oct. 13—17 A week of fun
At the Library!
Stop by Oct. 14 for a cupcake
9:00 am—5:00 pm**



**Friends of the Library
BOOK SALE**

Quincy Branch Library Basement
11 N. Main St., Quincy, MI

Friday, November 6th

9:00 am—5:00 pm

Saturday, November 7th

9:00 am—12:00 pm

Fill a bag for a minimum \$1 donation

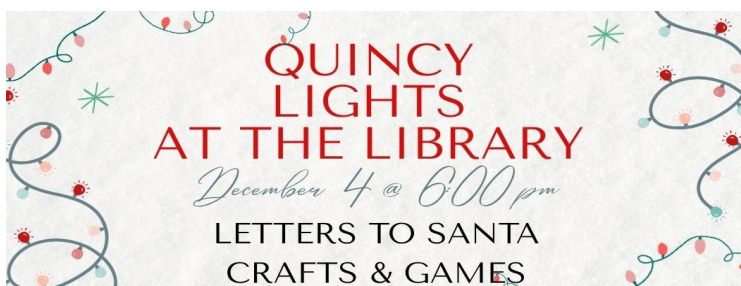
Buy a new library book bag for \$10 and fill it for free

**We are looking for volunteers to help work.
If you are interested, please let Sarah know!**

At the Library, we are accepting new & gently used books for the sale (no magazines, cookbooks or encyclopedias)



On September 15, Quincy Library hosted ***Elephant & Piggie Meet & Greet!*** Excited patrons got to meet the book legends and kids were able to enjoy themed crafts, games, tasty snacks, books and then meet Elephant & Piggie in person. Over 90 guests joined the Library staff for an afternoon of fun! Check out all of the upcoming FUN events hosted by the Quincy Library staff on page 4! Or pick up an Events guide!



Quincy Chamber Connection

What a great summer it has been in Quincy! The Chamber has enjoyed seeing our community come together for another season of activities, and we want to thank everyone who participated, volunteered, sponsored events, or simply came out to enjoy the fun.

Quincy Daze, held August 22, was blessed with a beautiful, sunshiny day and a wonderful turnout. Downtown was busy with a great car show, vendors, a cornhole tournament, music, food and plenty of activities for all ages. Kids Day, which became a part of Quincy Daze, was once again a highlight, with games and the always-popular bike and helmet giveaway. It was a great day to celebrate our community and everything that makes Quincy a special place to call home.

Pints in the Park Celebrates 10 Years!

Saturday, September 26, from 5:00–11:00 PM, Pints in the Park celebrates its 10th Anniversary!

Join us for an evening featuring local Michigan breweries, great food trucks and live music provided by **Derek Jones & the 50 South** and **The Jessie Campbell Band**. Whether you've been coming to Pints since the beginning or this will be your first year, we hope you'll join us as we celebrate 10 years of this favorite Quincy event!

Yes, There WILL Be Quincy Lights!

We've been getting lots of questions about **Quincy Lights**, especially since many of you have noticed that the Courtyard, where Quincy Lights has traditionally been held, has been sold and the gazebo and small buildings have been removed. **Don't Worry—Quincy Lights will be back!**

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there, and we'll still have a place for our local businesses and nonprofit organizations to provide games, activities and fun for the kids. We will also have our holiday parade. We're still in the planning stages and working out exactly where this year's festivities will take place, but one thing isn't changing: **Quincy Lights will be just as much fun and just as full of Christmas spirit as it has always been in our little "Hallmark Village."** Please watch for more information as plans come together. We can't wait to celebrate the Christmas season with you! As always, thank you to our Chamber members, volunteers, sponsors, local businesses and community members who help make these events possible.

Quincy may be a small town, but we certainly know how to come together and have a good time!



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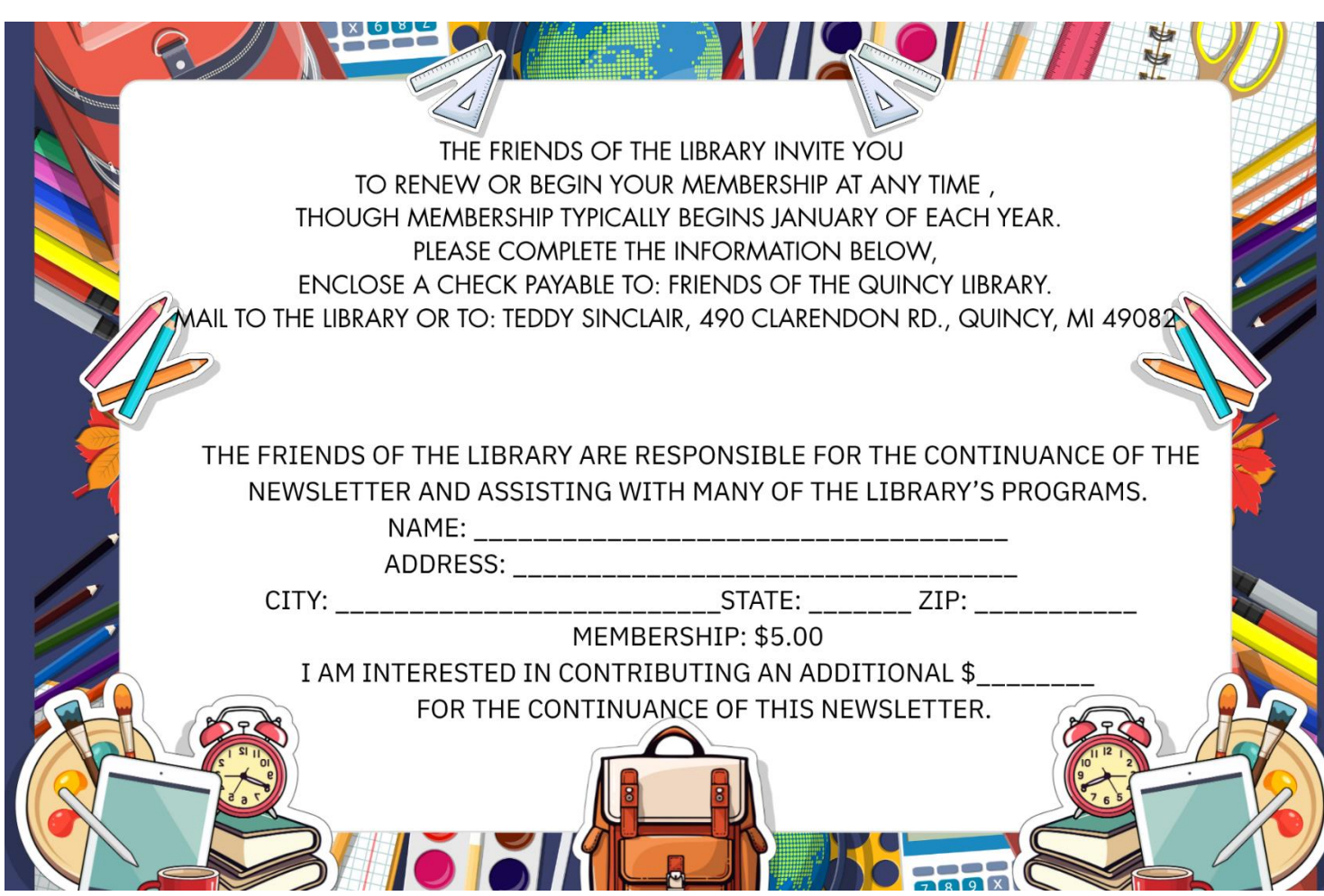
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The Quincy Historical Society wholeheartedly thanks all of you who sponsored this year's car show held Saturday, August 22, 2026 at the Quincy Park. This event is our fund-raiser for the Historical Society Scholarship fund with 78 cars registered. Winners are listed below and you will see that they came from a wide radius bringing their spectacular classic cars with them to share with everyone.

It was a great day and everyone that helped is greatly appreciated. And thank you to the Village of Quincy staff for their ever-present assistance, Quincy Historical Society members and friends who helped at the show in registration-Sue Bercaw, Diana Conant, Marilyn Ostrander, & Mike & Deb Hargreave and all the sponsors and others who helped judge. Rich Sattler & Mike Toivonen for being available to help as needed. Julie Yoder for bringing the Boy Scouts to learn & help with car show activity. Brian & Denny Wilson for their many years of expertise in getting the show cars parked, and Judy & Dan Dobson for hosting at the museum.

And most of all, thank you to all the beautiful classic cars that showed up!
Looking forward to next year!

Quincy Daze Car Show Winners - 2026

Village President's Choice sponsored by Quincy Ace Hardware- 1948 Ford F 1, Doug Coffey, Quincy
Best Orphan sponsored by Quincy Historical Society- 1956 Studebaker Golden Hawk, Dr. Matt Krutsch, Coldwater

Star of the Show sponsored by Star of the West- 1968 Mercury Monterey, Walt Blanchard, Jackson

Best Interior sponsored by Longstreet Living- 1988 Cadillac Allante, Aaron Vaughn, Jackson

Pretty Paint sponsored by Commercial Painting Service-1976 Chevy Corvette, Brad Stuart, Homer

Most Original sponsored by LSP, Inc.- 1966 Pontiac GTO, David Layne, Quincy

Long Haul sponsored by Nelson Trucking- 2015 Dodge SRT392 Challenger, Josh Byrne, Ottoville, Ohio 90 miles

High Horsepower sponsored by Nelson Brothers Racing-1970 Chevy Chevelle SS, Dan Kannegeiter, Vicksburg

Spirit of Tip Up sponsored by Quincy Tip Up Committee- 2023 Morgan Super 3, Jenifer Burke, Quincy

Lady's Choice sponsored by Ten East Treasures-1962 Plymouth Fury, Robert & Virginia Walby, Brooklyn, MI

Legacy on Wheels- Oldest Car sponsored by Br. Co. Community Foundation- 1930 Ford Model A, Lori Hardy, Quincy

Bang Up Job sponsored by Quincy Collision- 1966 Ford Mustang, Tim & Nedra Kingsbury, Quincy

Pop's Favorite sponsored by Oriole Automotive- 1965 Pontiac GTO, Bob Kling, Coldwater

Best "Big Boat" Car sponsored by Marble Lake Marina-1996 Buick Roadmaster Station Wagon, Terry & JoAnn Kubasiak, Bronson

People's Choice sponsored by Ridge Road Transfer Station- 1962 Chevy Corvette, Bill Kling, Coldwater

Automotive Trivia Quiz sponsored by Oriole Automotive- Annette Sands, Jonesville

And a big thanks to Casey Bassage, Andy Craig, and Patricia Gardon for helping make the raffles a huge success.

Sincerely,
Karen Hargreave, President, Quincy Historical Society