

***Alganssee Branch reports:***

We have had lots of crafts for Halloween and are now working on Thanksgiving projects to decorate the Alganssee library with.

The walnut project is not going real well as the majority of our Friends are getting older and are not able to do all of the physical work that this fundraiser requires. We are researching for new ways to raise money for the Friends group. If you have any suggestions, please let us know.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Clark, Alganssee Branch Manager

***Bronson Branch reports:***

First thing to report on is the Friends Media Center Project. The walls have gone up quickly, they placed the big metal beam on Tuesday and will now be able to complete the walls, start on the roof and put windows in. Once that is done they will break through the walls in three different locations and then the dust and noise will be upon us! I attended the township meeting and asked if it would be ok with them if we moved all our nonfiction books downstairs during the construction and they were very agreeable with that. John and I are working on a temporary camera for downstairs so we can keep an eye on the books, well actually the people looking at the books. Ken Carpenter volunteered his 4-H group to form a human chain to help transfer all the books downstairs. I've done this before at Alganssee and it's fun and a great promotional event. The storage pod arrived and I was able to clear out the storage room in time for the township to use it for extra voting booths. The Friends have held their Make a Difference Day, Fazoli's Dinner and continue with the nut sales.

The 5&6th graders from St. Mary's Assumption School held a read-a-thon and raised \$1275.00 which they gave to the Friends for the Media Center.

I attended Bronson Rotary with Evette when she spoke to their group. We tried to get Gayle fined as much as possible but it just didn't work.

Bronson Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a new event "Here We Go A Wassailing", the day after Thanksgiving, where businesses are asked to be open from 5-7:00 pm. so the library will be open that Friday evening, decorated and with big holes in the walls!

***Quincy Branch reports:***

Quincy Township had Safety Systems do their annual testing and inspection in October. This inspection included, security alarm inspection, smoke detector battery checks and testing, etc.

Lisa participated in the Geek campaign webinar with other staff October 23

The Quincy Friends had a two day Book Sale, which brought in a bit less than previous sales.

They will also be present with refreshments for the public at Quincy Lights, Friday evening, December 7. One of our Friends has again confirmed the dulcimer group to travel to the Swallow's Nest to play Christmas music. It was greatly enjoyed last year.

The Advisory Board has purchased a small statue for our Children's Room with memorial monies *In Memory Of* Marian Smith. This influential lady was admired in the Quincy area, and was honored this summer for starting the Little League program in Quincy, 57 years ago. There were some monies leftover to purchase some children's books also.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wood, Quincy Branch Manager

***Sherwood Branch reports:***

We have had a busy month decorating the library with fall decorations from our Story Hour children. Mrs G does a wonderful job coming up with new crafts each week for the story hour children.

The Sherwood Village Council voted to have the furnace replaced by Manchester Heating & Cooling. We were told last spring that the one furnace that is working would not last long. I do not have a date yet when they will be coming in to replace the furnace, but have asked that it be done when the library is not scheduled for business. They will also be removing the large furnace that sits in the corner of the library up by the ceiling. Once this is done, I will be doing some additional re-arranging of the YA area, as the collection has grown and additional shelving is desperately needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Horn, Sherwood Branch Manager