



ALGANSEE BRANCH

- Busy with lots of new books, DVDs and Books on CD, for all ages coming in. I appreciate all the work the ladies do in Coldwater to keep the new items coming to us.
- We have had several patrons coming in to do special crafts whenever they can. We have posted lots of pictures on Facebook of the projects. Time has got away from us as far as putting flyers out for all the libraries, but we are working on getting better at putting the word out. We just have to be careful because of the size of our working area. Gets pretty crowded.
- Although John is busy, he came out to Algansee last week to say Hello and to see how everything is going. How nice is that. I always enjoy when John and Curtis come way out here!
- I don't want to forget how much Gina and Darlene Help us! Kimberly is great about making flyers for us, we appreciate.
- I would also like to Thank all of you folks on the Board for all that you do for our Libraries! See You Next Year! Merry Christmas and Safe Holidays

Respectfully Submitted
Algansee Branch Manager

BRONSON BRANCH

- Steven Watson started working at Bronson on November 17. The patrons and community have welcomed him and he has had the opportunity to participate in our movie nights and preschool story-time. Steve will be planning teen programs next year and working to get our teen involvement built back up. It has been a very good first month!
- November was Picture Book Month and we just happened to have several new shipments of picture books during that month so our shelves were filled with new titles for children to enjoy.
- Friday Tales, the children have decorated a Christmas tree downstairs for the Township and the different program attendees to enjoy. They have decorated reindeer faces and made sparkly pine cone trees.
- Seventy-nine ladies came to the Get Crafty program during the month of November. Crafts this month were paper pages wreaths and pallet Christmas trees with lights. So far in December 25 ladies have attended the wooden snowman class and there is one more project during December to do. Using old bed springs they will make Christmas trees and snowmen and as of right now class is maxed out.
- Saturday we had a "This From That" mini craft for parents, grandparents, kids and using clear glass ball ornaments we had them decoupage old book pages, music or pictures to the ornament then cover in glitter. Very pretty.
- December book discussion was "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" by Ransom Riggs. The January book will be "Peace Like A River" by Leif Enger

- Over Thanksgiving break Joselyne Cabrera came back to work and we were able to get nearly the whole library put back in alphabetical/Dewey Decimal order again. We hope to finish the project when she comes back this month. Nice to have it all back in order again, so much easier to locate items!
- The Friends will be having a large/massive/humungous/ginormous/really really big book sale in January. Normally they have the large book sales in the spring and fall but we have received so many book donations this year that storage for their book sales has run out of room so they have to hold one in January.

Looking forward to 2016!

Respectfully submitted

Lynnell Eash

Bronson Branch Manager

QUINCY BRANCH

- A German paper star ornament workshop was offered Nov. 21 by Jeanne Berg. A handful of people attended on that very snowy Saturday morning.
- Friends of the Library helped with cookies and letters to Santa during the Quincy Lights festivities.
- A Christmas card workshop was offered for two Saturday mornings during December. Barb Rockhold graciously supplied patterns and supplies for Iris Paper folding, so patrons can create beautiful cards.
- The staff is very grateful for Acting Director, John Rucker. His leadership is impeccable. He treats the staff with dignity and is on top of every issue. His communication with the branch managers is unlike what we have ever had and we are thrilled with the work he put into the budget.
- Branch Managers will be working the Tibbits event Dec. 19, which takes place of the Little River Railroad train event that was offered for a few years. This *Bright Star Theater* company comes from North Carolina and should be a real treat for families. The show they are offering is “Winter Fables”, which humorously brings Aesop’s Fables to life. All branches are offering (the up to 500 total) tickets free of charge.
- New 2016 hours for our Quincy Branch are being displayed and new magnets are ordered. New hours are as follows:
 - Tuesday 8:30-5
 - Wednesday 10-5
 - Thursday 10-6
 - Friday 8:30-5
 - Saturday 9-12
 - Closed Sunday & Monday

SHERWOOD BRANCH

Hard to believe 2015 is already coming to an end!
December was great.

- On the 1st we enjoyed a visit from Yeuhanya, one of Union City's exchange students from the Ukraine. We had a great turn out for the program. The stories she shared with us about her country were incredibly interesting.
- Our Tuesday art classes are still going and the number of participants continue to hold steady.
- On December 5th, the Sherwood library was invited to attend the "Breakfast with Santa" by the Union City library.
- Currently we are planning our Christmas party at the library on the 17th and will be attending the "Winter fables" program at Tibbits on the 19th.
- We are excited and looking forward to the increase of our new hours after the first of the year!

Traci Counterman

Sherwood Branch Manager

UNION TWP. BRANCH

- November has been a busy month preparing for the Breakfast with Santa and looking forward to the new year.
- I have been able to spend time weeding, organizing, and cleaning. I also have many visits to the preschool and after school programs.
- This month my visits to the preschool were so much fun. They are looking forward to me coming and even have an area ready for us to talk and read a new book. After reading and discussing the book we have been making a craft to go along with the story. I must say we have some of the prettiest scarecrows, pilgrims, and turkeys running around town.
- I also visited the after school program at the elementary school this month. The children enjoyed the book, "The Very Stuffed Turkey". The children were able to make a turkey book and write their own story about a turkey.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Gottschalk
Dearth Union Township Manager