

1999 Highlights

ANNUAL REPORT

by Mary J. Hutchins, Director

Significant additions to the Branch District Library collections were made by numerous individuals, Lion's Club, Altrusa, Friends of the Library, Rotary Club, and others. These donations vastly improved the range of print and audio/visual resources available.

The Library Board's 1999 Technology plan made all systems Y2K compliant and upgraded the computers available to all six sites, accompanied by an LSTA grant funded by the Institute for Museums and Library Services, and administered by the Library of Michigan. This grant provided for the automation of the Algansee and Sherwood libraries and included computers to allow them to circulate online and have access to the system's online public access catalogs, as well as access to the Internet, the LePac interlibrary loan system and other computer programs. For the first time, there is a unified database for the entire library system. This is a giant step forward and it took almost six years; having started in early 1994.

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| ☞ | 9.9% Circulation Increase |
| ☞ | 13% Increase in Attendance |
| ☞ | 4.5% Increase in Borrowers |
| ☞ | Over \$16,000 in Donations |

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

by Christie Kessler

1999 was a busy year with preschool storytime programs offered at Algansee, Bronson, Central & Quincy. 900 children read 15,000 books during the summer reading program and earned gate, ride and amphitheater passes to the Branch County 4H Fair by reading or listening to stories.

Branch District Friends of the Library raised \$3,300 for new children's books and summer reading materials.

At least 10,000 children throughout the county have benefitted from programs, tours, on-going activities, homework help, and other help from caring staff this year.

TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

by Christie Kessler

Congratulations to the dedicated Tech. Services staff at Central for bing at the end of automating the library's collection!! During the six-year project, almost 100,000 records have been converted to an automated format. Much need inventory and weeding also resulted in 24,000 items being withdrawn. Many older titles were replaced with newer, reinforced editions of the same title.

At the same time, the number of new titles added each year has steadily increased - a whopping 400% from 1993 to 1999. We're pleased to have a more up-to-date and accessible collection available to patrons. The library's catalog is even available now on the Web showing if material is owned and if it is currently in or checked out. Look us up at : www.brnlibrary.org

Branch District Library System 1999 Annual Report



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10 E. Chicago Street
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1999 PERSONNEL

LIBRARIANS

	<u>TITLE</u>
Hutchins, Mary	Director
Kessler, Christin	Children's/Technical Services Librarian
Guy, Bruce	Automation Librarian
Grill, Linda	Adult Services Supervisor

PARAPROFESSIONAL

Burdick, Mary	Circulation/Reference
Burkhardt, Barbara	Reference
Cook, Mary	Bookkeeper
Cunningham, Sandra	Technical Services
Guy, Kimberly	Technical Services/HHR
Olds, Barbara	Reference
Rawson-Ketchum, Heidi	Reference
Riegel, Barbara	Secretary to the Director
Sherfield, Loretta	Interlibrary Loan
Shoun, Ellen	Newsletter
Yennie, Denise	Interlibrary Loan

CLERICAL

Baker, Nola	Kids Place
Byers, Marilyn	Circulation/Kids Place
Eichler, Shirley	Circulation/Kids Place
Eash, Lynnell	Circulation
Hudson, Linda	Circulation
Miller, J. Tim	Kids Place
Mowry, Mary	Circulation/Kids Place
Murray, Jodi	Circulation
Patterson, Sandra	Circulation
Robey, Mary	Circulation/Kids Place
Sherfield, Ben	Delivery Driver
Smolinski, Richard	Custodial

BRANCH SUPERVISORS

Maddox, Carole	Bronson
VanWormer, Linda	Union City
Veysey, Kathy	Quincy

BRANCH CLERKS

Davis, Stephanie	Bronson
Hardy, Renee	Quincy
Costell, Pat	Quincy
Kaniewski, Patricia	Union City
Robbins, Carolyn	Sherwood
Eash, Lynnell	Alganssee

BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY SYSTEM

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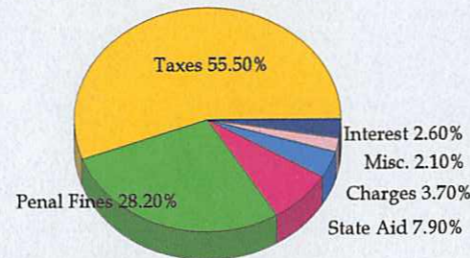
ENDOWMENT

TOTAL \$61,233.00

REVENUES

Taxes (Millage)	\$387,592.00
State Aid	\$54,929.00
Charges for Services	\$26,081.00
Penal Fines	\$196,519.00
Interest Earned	\$17,846.00
Miscellaneous	\$14,838.00
Total	\$697,805.00

REVENUES 1999



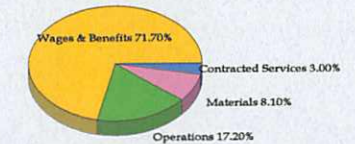
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EXPENDITURES

Wages & Benefits	\$504,474.00
Operations	\$120,779.00
Materials	\$56,495.00
Contracted Services	\$21,439.00
Total	\$703,187.00

EXPENDITURES 1999



MATERIALS EXPENDITURES

Branch Materials	\$8,901.36
Adult Non-Fiction	\$16,301.49
Adult Fiction	\$7,783.78
Reference	\$7,616.52
Juvenile	\$7,718.81
Periodicals	\$5,470.04
Audio-Visual	\$2,703.00
Total	\$56,495.00

Materials Expenditures 1999

