

BRANCH REPORTS February 13, 2013

Algansee Branch reports:

All is good at Branch District Library-Algansee Branch.

We are planning activities for March is Reading Month. Here at Algansee, we are having a drawing for a movie gift basket. When patron comes in and checks out a book, their name will be put in for the drawing. If they come in every day to check out a book, their name will go in the drawing. The Algansee Friends will purchase the items for the basket. At end of March we will draw a name. All ages are included.

We are also excited about the "One Book, One Community". The book is Thunder Dog, by Michael Hingson. I have read the book, very good true story.

For craft time this month, we built bird feeders with pine cones, peanut butter and bird seed. The patrons enjoyed doing this project, so we did again the next week; a messy project, but fun. Patrons will take them home, put in tree for birds and pesky squirrels!

We also crafted picture frames for Valentines Day.

Have booked the Nature Center for a program for Summer Reading. Getting started for a fun summer at the library.

Thank You, Respectfully submitted, Janice Clark

Quincy Branch reports

Central Elevator Co. recently ran a full safety load test – at a cost of \$695 - and is run every 36 months. The regular maintenance runs \$120 every three months.

Our Winter Blahs contest for adults is running during the month of February. The Quincy Friends provided a goodie basket and the second name drawn will received a signed copy of "Stand-In" by Kay Reno (thanks to Bonnie Frick).

Black is History Month and presidential displays are in our children's room and other areas of the library.

Story Hour themes have been and will be: a Valentine's party, White Day, a winter picnic, Dr. Seuss' birthday and Blue Day (with polka dot blue napkins found for 50 cents for our snack!)

Much job searching is taking place on the computers and resumes are being worked on by adults.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wood

Quincy Branch Manager

Union Twp. Branch reports:

- Saturday, Feb. 9, Sandy provided a Valentine Craft. Three young people attended.
- FOTL mtg. scheduled for Tuesday, February 12. We will be discussing future plans for events.
- February 23, our local editor of the Clarion, Alona, will present "Developing your personal on-line Blog".
- March 9, with feature an Easter Craft for the elementary age children.
- Monthly visit of Pine Creek Reservation Head Start is on March 13.
- For several years now we've scheduled Build a bird nest box. This year wren, bluebird or other songbird nest box kits will be available. This program has always been well received. Registration required by 3/9 for the 3/16 event. FOTL sponsored.
- One book, one community: Looking forward to this book discussion on 3/20 at 4pm. Thunder Dog by Michael Hingson has been selected.--Good book, come join us!

Pat Kaniewski, Branch Manager Dearth Union Twp. Library

Bronson Branch reports:

The end of the building project is in sight! Looking forward to getting back to programs again and having a clean library . We have been able to hold our Friday Tales during the construction but the movie night and other programs were all put on hold. The rooms are painted and they are putting carpet in today. Our patrons are very excited about the new media center and have been very patient and understanding of this whole process. John and Curtis have been over several

times getting the wiring ready for the computers.

Lynnell attended the Bronson Township meeting and the Bronson City Council Meeting to give them the year end report. Both groups were given a tour of the new addition. They also thanked the library for everything that is offered to the community and for doing a wonderful job!



We received our 7 copies of Thunder Dog, the One Book One County book for 2013, and every copy has been checked out and people asking questions about the book discussions. Bronson's discussion will be Saturday March 16 11:00-12:00.

The Friends and library will set up a booth at the 3rd annual Bronson Trade Show on March 30.

Sherwood Branch reports:

January was a little slow at the Sherwood branch, but things are picking up again.

I have moved the short book shelves that were used for the YA section out and am using a taller set of shelves in their place, so now the YA and Adult side of the library looks more uniform as far as shelving goes. It is nice to have more room for new books! I have been busy ordering new books, and weeding out the old ones.

Mrs. G has been busy with Story Hour and winter crafts. The kids have read stories about penguins and snowmen and made cute crafts with them out of recycled water bottles.

This week we will be working on Valentine gifts for the parents and more winter projects.

I have been doing Beginner Computer Classes for Seniors at the Sherwood branch on Tuesdays from 5 - 6 p.m. Since it is a basic course I have limited the class size so that I may be better able to give individualized attention. So far we have had 3 of our local seniors come to the class each Tuesday. So far we have covered the basics of how to get around the internet, Facebook and are starting on Word programs. I have been letting the patrons

We are having our book discussion for One Book, One Community on Tuesday, March 19th from 6 - 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gina Horn Sherwood Branch Manager

