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Bronson Branch

September is Library Card Sign-up Month. Posters from the ALA have been placed around Bronson encouraging people to visit the library and "sign-up for the smartest card in their wallet!"

ALGANSEE BRANCH 580-B S. Ray-Quincy Rd. Quincy MI 49082 (517) 639-9830 Started fall programs last week. We continue with Friday Tales our preschool storytime. We will be trying a Craft Club, something similar to the American Girl Club we did a few years ago, but open to more ages and the word "girl" taken out so boys will feel like they can attend too. To get the most out of our movie licensing we will be holding our usually monthly Movie Night for all ages and then add a Teen Night with movies, games and crafts and a Date Night at the Movies for the adults. (must be at least 18 to attend)

Bronson Branch 207 N. Matteson St. Bronson MI 49028 (517) 369-3785 The first week in October is Banned Book Week. We will have a display of Banned Titles for people to check out.

October 10 is Bring Your Teddy Bear to Work Day, starting October 2 we will start filling the library with Teddy Bears along with a display of bear books.

QUINCY BRANCH 11 N. Main St. Quincy MI 49082 (517) 639-4001 Respectfully Submitted by, Lynnell Eash Bronson Branch Manager

Coldwater Adult Programing

Living With a Stroke

SHERWOOD BRANCH 118 Sherman St. Sherwood MI 49089 (517) 741-7976 On Thursday, August 30th, Allan Priore, OTR/OTD, Stroke Rehab Specialist/Coordinator for the Three Rivers Health Inpatient Rehab center, discussed the journey of life after a stroke. His topics included lifestyle changes and obstacles faced by those living with a stroke. Those attending also had an opportunity to ask questions after the presentation. It was very informative and helpful to those who attended.

LUCILLE E. DEARTH UNION TWP. BRANCH 195 N. Broadway St. Union City MI 49094 (517) 741-5061

Respectfully submitted by, Denies Yennie



Sherwood Branch

At the Sherwood Village meeting on September 5th the council discussed the broken locks on the doors of the library and voted to have new locks put on both the doors. The State Trooper who is investigating checks in with me every week to see if I have any additional information for her.

We have been busy with MelCat loans. For the month of August we had 51 items checked out by our patrons and 59 items requested, all through MelCat. Most of the items requested from our patrons are music CD's and books. Just this Tuesday we had 19 items checked out from MelCat and 17 items requested. I am glad to see that I am getting some of my patrons over the "fear" of ordering material online. I realize our numbers might not seem impressive compared to some of the larger branches, however if you stop to think we are doing this in 9 hours a week, compared to the hours that the other branches have open, you will agree that we are just as busy as the larger branches.

The Library of Michigan has announced the 2012 *Michigan Reads!* book is *Moose on the Loose* by Kathy-jo Wargin and illustrated by John Bendall-Brunello.

Moose on the Loose is full of movement and activity as a little boy meets up with a moose. Using cause-and-effect prose, the reader travels with the moose through the catchy, rhyming text, anticipating the moose's next moves as the boy tries to keep up with this outdoor animal on the run. The story, the language, the rhythm of the questions, and the wonderful illustrations all work together to make Moose on the Loose a read-aloud that both children and older readers will want to experience again and again. Mrs. G will be reading the book at Story Hour and has a cute craft for the children to work on and we will be asking each child who reads the book to sign our Moose on the Loose poster.

Finally I wanted to touch on the Circulation Statistics for Sherwood. As you have noticed, our circulation had dropped at the beginning of summer. I just wanted to remind the board that last summer we used Capital money to have 1 extra hour during the summer (Memorial day through Labor Day) and saw an increase last summer of about 15% the numbers we are seeing are compared to last year's circulation.

Quincy Report

Quincy Daze gave exposure to the Quincy Friends group. The public enjoyed old Quincy photos and a DVD of Leo Sanderson (a local who was filmed giving an oral history). Many thanks to John Rucker for setting up the equipment that day. Quincy Advisory Board will discuss Capital monies requests at their September 12 meeting. Quincy Friends will meet in October and will discuss the ability to support a couple summer reading programs for Quincy for 2013. Note: Melcat and Intraloan August statistics: 420 items circulate from the Quincy Branch Comparison: Bronson Melcat Loans/Ckouts 191 Intraloans 145 = 336 Union Melcat Loans/Ckouts 154 + Intraloans 117 = 271 Quincy Melcat Loans 233 + Intraloans 187 = 420 (with 157 of the 233 being OUR items being sent out) We are pleased with the requests from our collection; this process keeps us very busy Tuesday and Friday mornings before Roy comes for delivery pickup.

Union Township Branch

Union Township Library is hanging on with one worker during the next two weeks, as Sandy is on vacation. In the last month it seems that MEL has increased a lot with many requests. Just Friday there were 12 requests, Saturday had 8 and Monday I had 10 more. Mostly DVDs. I guess everyone likes our DVDs!

Once a month on the second Wednesday at 10am, 20 Athens 3-4 year olds will be coming for a story time. This is a new group for us.

On November 3rd at 10 am., we will be building bird feeders at the fire hall. Gene Wasserman comes from Haslett with kits to build 3 different feeders. It is always a great morning.

Pat Kaniewski Branch Manager