

- I have been working diligently on the proposed budget for 2013. John and Jeanne have been a tremendous resource in putting this together. I will be setting up a finance committee meeting this month to review the proposed budget.
- The Friends of the Branch District Library group is up and running! They hosted the book sale at Applefest over the weekend and meeting regularly, planning strategies and fundraising ideas. They have held several subcommittee meetings and are full of energy and ideas!
- The Friends group did an amazing job weeding, trimming and resetting the bricks around the arbor outside of the west entrance of the library. They also sanded down and repainted the woodwork, removing the graffiti from last Spring.
- The exterior renovation project has begun! I have passed coordination of this project to John Rucker effective September 11, 2012.
- Our new email setup is now in place. Each staff member now has their own email account to facilitate electronic communication among staff and to promote a feeling of personalized interaction when dealing with patrons via electronic communication

Respectfully Submitted,



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