

Alganssee Branch

- February was a month of crafts for all ages. Lots of pictures colored by Adults and children.
- Ordered lots of books and video's for all ages.
- March we had lots of crafts available for St. Patrick Day and Easter. Everybody that came in for books and videos took the time to finish a small craft, which worked out well.
- Our book discussion turned out good also. We had 7 patrons take out the book Rocket Boys and the video October Sky by Homer Hickman Jr. There were 4 patrons here for book discussion. A patron brought crackers and cheese and the Alganssee Friends served water, tea and cocoa.
- We had a contest for March is reading month, every time patron checked out 2 or more books, we put their name in a jar. A patron pulled the name for us which turned out to be a man that comes to the library often. The prize was a basket with a wind chime, a hummingbird feeder with feed, a coloring book with pencils and lots more goodies. He was very pleased! The basket was furnished by The Alganssee Friends, and put together by Erica Ewers, who I really appreciate for all she does for the Friends!
- I did order more books and video's in March for all ages.
- March was not a good month to finish the knitting series because of weather and patrons with the flu. We did have last project for knitting series April 2.

We did receive our rugs and cart. Thank You!
Any questions or suggestions please call 639-8158.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jan Clark,
Alganssee Branch Manager

Quincy Branch

- Lisa offered a Paper Napkin Roses Workshop on Saturday, March 19.
- National Library Week was celebrated last week with free giveaways (pencils, bookmarks, bookbags).
- The Quincy Schools Superintendent's wife, Rhonda Artist, has been a guest reader for Story Hour a few times lately.
- Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 pm. Matthew Ball performs Ragtime, Boogie-woogie & Blues piano favorites from the Swingin' era of the 20s, 30s & 40s. This event will be held in the Quincy United Methodist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wood,

Quincy Branch Manager

Sherwood Branch

- We had our "One book one community" book discussion - the number of patron participation wasn't as high as we would have liked, but the discussion went very well and everyone enjoyed themselves.
- The Sherwood branch was invited to attend "Family literacy night" at the Union City elementary school once again this year. It's always fun meeting so many new people. I received a lot of positive feedback in regards to "Hoopla" and "NewsBank." And of course, "ABC Mouse" is always popular here at the library.
- We are still holding art class with Kathy on Tuesday afternoons at 4pm. The classes will cease the beginning of June but will pick back up again in September.
- Tween crafts on Thursday afternoons will continue throughout the summer.
- Our summer reading program will begin on June 14th and will go through the last week of July. We have received the last of our ordered goodies and will begin putting everything together soon!

Sincerely,

Traci Counterman

Sherwood Branch Manager

Dearth Union Twp. Branch

What a wild and crazy month March was as the old sayings goes, “In like a lion, out like a lamb” and that was certainly true for us.

We started out with an adult CPR class. This class showed the CPR technique without using mouth-to-mouth contact which was stated is much safer for everyone. Another program for adults which is growing each week is the coloring page luncheon. Many patrons state that it is great to just find time to sit down and color and enjoy each other.

A program that both adult and children patrons enjoy is building a bird nest or a bird seed feeder. Gene Wasserman provides all the material needed and the Union Township Friends pay the cost. We had a great turnout with five kids and eighteen adults hammering away one Saturday.

I also participated in the Literacy Night at the Union City Elementary school; enjoyed story time with the preschool; visited two classrooms for March is Reading Month; worked with the Community Unlimited after school program, and had a book discussion on Rocket Boys.

On March 23rd our library hosted a premiere party for the comic book Ghost Canyon. I am pleased to state the premiere was a success with over 147 cast and community members enjoying the evening.

To end out the end of the month we had an Easter Egg Craft and Hunt which turned out to be the biggest turnout of kids for this event. When you plan for about 20 kids and well over 60 show up you are completely blown away. Even though each child could only hunt for 4 eggs they still seemed to have a lot of fun. Next year I think I will plan better for this event.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Gottschalk

Manager