

# Quincy Library

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Sunday / Monday - Closed

Wednesday - 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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## Branch Manager's Message

Here we are in the throws of winter. Fresh white snow is always a welcome sight, as long as it remains manageable to drive through!

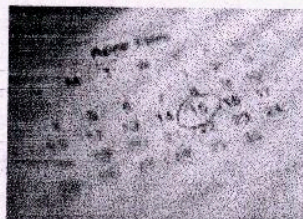
On December 5th, the library was on the Historical Home tour. Over 120 visitors passed through our doors on that Saturday afternoon. Everything from the original tin ceilings (each room boasting a different design), to the mounted muskets and swords in the entry, to the old framed class photos of Quincy students were of interest and were enjoyed by our visitors that day. We anticipate a spring delivery of our Federal flag, currently undergoing restoration. So look for an open house to celebrate it's homecoming. Our thanks to the volunteers who gave of their time to act as hosts for the Home Tour.

-Lisa L Wood, Branch Manager

## Friends of the Library Update

The November book sale was a success due to donations from the community and the support of our Friends group who worked the sale. We look forward to the events of 2010, including the Book Sale on June 4th and 5th. Our next meeting will be April 27th at 4:00 p.m. in the library lower level. One week before that on April 20th, the Friends of the Algansee Library will be hosting the annual Friends gathering at 6:00 p.m. Feel free to join us for either meeting in April and see what the Friends work on all year. Everyone is welcome.

-Lisa L Wood, Friends of the Library Secretary



## Upcoming Events...

**National Library Week - April 10-17**  
- Visit this week to remember what libraries have to offer.

**Children's Book Week - May 8-15**  
- Children 12 and under receive a treat when visiting the library this week.

**Celebrate Michigan Week - May 15-22**  
- Stop in to quiz yourself on Michigan trivia and enter to win a prize.

**Open House - May 28**  
- Visit the library from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. to view the restored Federal flag and other /Civil War artifacts. Our library is fortunate to have our rare collection of flags and a roster of soldier information.

**Book Sale - June 4-5**

## Friends of the Quincy Library Cookbook

Below is one of the delicious recipes included in the Friends of the Quincy Library Cookbook. The cookbook highlights the favorite recipes of Jane Baldwin. This cookbook can be purchased from the Quincy Library for \$10.00.

This edition of the newsletter highlight's Aunt Hazel's Chili Con Carne which is found in the Jane's Favorites section of the cookbook.

- 2 1/2 c. kidney beans
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 3 T. lard
- 3 1/2 c. tomatoes
- 1 1/2 t. salt
- 1 1/2 t. paprika
- 3 whole cloves
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 T. chili powder

Brown beef with onion in hot lard. Add tomatoes, seasonings and simmer two hours adding water if necessary. Add beans and heat thoroughly. I do not use any lard, and no cloves. I usually use ground turkey and I simmer two hours if I have time.

- Jane Baldwin



## Look What's New in our Genealogy Area!

The library has recently acquired a new microfilm reader/printer for viewing our Quincy Herald newspapers on microfilm. This user-friendly machine and the improved printing ability makes genealogy searching much easier. The capability is such that an article or photo can be emailed, printed, or even put on your camera chip/card. The vertical 24" LCD monitor aids in viewing an entire newspaper page. Another nice feature is the ability to enlarge the print on the screen, for easier reading. We are pleased to offer this new machine for public use. The library staff is available to help as you discover this new ScanPro 2000 reader/printer.

We have also acquired a new desk for the machine which will make the search process much more comfortable. Stop in soon to do some research!

### Needed:

The library is always looking for donations of old Branch County directories, or the surrounding counties. If you have one to offer, please stop by to drop it off.

## Winter Blahs Contest is Back

Attention adults over 18 years of age - Visit the library to pick up a record sheet and record the number of pages read between February 2nd and February 27th. The patron with the most pages read will receive a gift

basket full of goodies to brighten up their winter! Do you read to your kids at bedtime? Have you gone back to school? Enjoy magazines or a good mystery? If you are reading ... be sure to enter!

## Need a Tax Break!

If you itemize your deductions on your federal income tax (using Schedule A), you can deduct the money donated to the library as a charitable contribution. On the Michigan form, you can get a tax credit of up to \$400 if you are filing joint for money donated to public libraries (also includes food banks and public institutions of higher learning in Michigan).

## Don't Forget!!

The 8th Annual Friends of the Library meeting will be hosted by the Friends of Algansee Library. They will be holding the meeting at the Algansee Township Hall, Tuesday, April 20th at 6:00 p.m.

If you have never attended an annual gathering or even one of the Quincy Friends' meetings, now would be a great time to attend a meeting.

Questions? Call us at the library or stop by



## Quincy Public Library Turns 100!

On Friday, May 28, 2010, the Quincy Library will host an Open House from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to which the public is cordially invited. We hope you will come and help us celebrate 100 years of service to Quincy.

The lending of books began in 1870 when a group of local village ladies formed a Literary Society. The Society circulated approximately 400 books from private homes until 1890.

The Ladies Library Association was organized in 1898. Supervised by Mrs. Fred, a schoolteacher, it began with 50 books and grew to more than 1,000 volumes.

Generous financial backing from Mr. Charles W. Bennett established a "Free Public Library" in Quincy Township in January, in 1908.

A permanent board was elected in 1909. The six board members were Alfred L. Brown, Hiram Bennett, W.H. Lockerby, Chisholm McKay, Lyman Peebles, and Melvin Segur. The library is still guided by a six member board of trustees.

The Quincy Library building was built in 1910. All businesses in Quincy, as a gesture of respect to Mr. Bennett, were asked to close for the November 1, 1910, formal dedication of the library.

Quincy Township entered into a 1947 contract with the Branch County Library, agreeing to become the Quincy Branch of the Branch County Library. The service area of the Quincy Library includes the part of Allen Township in Hillsdale County which lies within the Quincy School District as well as all of Branch County.

The Library is sustained by an active "Friends of the Library" group and by the Quincy Township Board. The Friends publish a quarterly informative newsletter, as well as sponsor children's programs. The two groups combined efforts to completely renovate the library in 1984.

The lift and public restrooms were added in 2000, new windows in 2005 and light fixtures in 2006. A current project is the restoration of the Civil War flags. Other artifacts have been put on display in the library foyer. The library continues to be a source of pride for Quincy.

While we are celebrating - don't forget all of the librarians who have served us faithfully through the years.

Do you remember:

Mrs. Maude Barnes	1912-1920
Mrs. Belle Dove	1920-1934
Mrs. Elva Lytle	1934-1936
Mrs. Kate Clark	1936-1939
Mrs. Clara Johnson	1939-1941
Mrs. Lucille Greening	1941-1943
Mrs. Gladys Van Wert	1943-1945
Mrs. Blanche Omo	1945-1946
Mrs. Ella Walsh	1946-1953
Mrs. Theresa Armstrong	1953-1959
Mrs. Cora Talant	1959-1968
Mrs. Beryl Zuercher	1968- Pro-tem
Mrs. Dorothy Catey	1968 - Pro-tem
Mrs. Shirley Tappenden	1968-1974
Mrs. Dorothy Marshall	1974-1982
Mrs. Shirley Tappenden	1982-1990
Mrs. Linda Johnson	1990-1997
Mrs. Kathy Veysey	1997-2000
Mrs. Sue May	2000-2001
Mrs. Lisa Wood	2001 to present

Throughout the Quincy Public Library history, Shirley Tappenden has been our longest serving librarian, serving in two separate sessions.

Thank you Shirley for your years of dedication!

## Look What's New at the Library

### Adult Non Fiction

*Homesteading -A Backyard Guide To: Growing Your Own Food, Canning, Keeping Chickens, Generating Your Own Energy, Crafting, Herbal Medicine and More* edited by Abigail R. Gehring

*Feeding Baby Green - The Earth-Friendly Program for Healthy, Safe Nutrition* by Alan Green, M.D. - A new way to train your baby's taste buds for a lifetime of good eating habits.

*Louisa May Alcott - The Woman Behind Little Women* by Harriet Reisen - Stories and details culled from Alcott's journals, together with revealing letters to family, friends, publishers, and admiring readers, plus recollections of her family, friends and famous contemporaries provide the basis for this lively account of the author's classic rags to riches tale.

*Notes Left Behind* by Brooke and Keith Desserich - This story of Elena Desserich, innocent six year old who battled a rare form of brain cancer, is a story of humility and inspiration. Included in the pages of this book are Elena's private messages that she secretly hid around her home, knowing her family would find them when she was gone.

*Well-Preserved: Recipes and Techniques for Putting Up Small Batches of Seasonal Foods* by Eugenia Bone

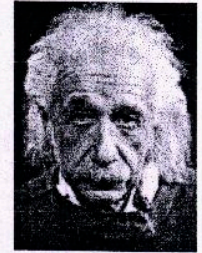
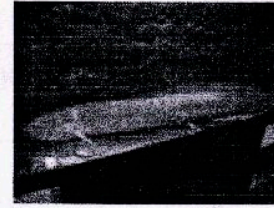
*Relaxed Cooking with Curtis Stone*

*Elm Creek Quilts, Return to Elm Creek, More Elm Creek Quilts* all by Jennifer Chiaverini - Enjoy her fiction books also.

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## Did you know...

- The African lungfish can live out of water for up to four years.
- Because birds carrying messages were often killed in flight by hawks, medieval Arabs made a habit of sending important message twice.
- Snakes continue to grow until the day they die.
- A dime has 118 ridges around the edge, a quarter has 119.
- A toaster uses almost half as much energy as a full sized oven.
- About twenty-five percent of the population sneeze when they are exposed to light.
- Airports that are at higher altitudes require a longer airstrip due to lower air density.
- Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but declined.
- All babies are color blind when they are born.



## Look What's New at the Library (Continued)

### Children

*Did Dinosaurs Eat People?*

*Why Do My Teeth Fall Out?*

*What's Inside a Rattlesnake's Rattle?*

*What is the Moon Made Of?*  
Enjoy these wonderful children's

books filled with answers to their questions!

*Marley Goes to School* by John Grogan

*The Curious Garden* by Peter Brown

*When You Meet a Bear on Broadway*  
by Amy Hest

*Fancy Nanty Tea Parties* by Jane O'Conner

Much new fiction has come into the library, from your favorite authors to some new discoveries! Be sure to stop in and take a look to check out a book or two for those winter nights to come when a book is the perfect getaway!

## Thank You:

**Linda Hudson** - For her continued support through her donations of large print books

**Dan Blakeley** - For his large donation of quality books for our library and book sale

**Bonnie Frick, Pete Baldwin, Shirley Tappenden, Teddy Sinclair**- For hosting during the Historical Home Tour

## Library Fun Facts...

- During World War II the original copies of the U. S. Constitution and the Declaration of Independence was taken from the library of Congress and kept at Fort Knox, Kentucky.
- The American Heritage Dictionary was once banned from the Eldon, Missouri library because it contained 39 "objectionable" words.
- The names of the two stone lions in front of the New York Public library are Patience and Fortitude.
- The library of Congress is the largest library in the world.

# In Appreciation...

## In Memory of...

### Orpha Brown

Ron & Kathy Will

### David Buntain

Ron & Kathy Will

### Margaret DeWolfe

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas E. Worthington

### Dorothy Dobson

Dan & Judy Dobson

### Junior J. Gary

CJ & Nellie Cronk  
Mr. & Mrs. Duane McCurley  
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Carolyn Van Riper  
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Gary & Connie Karney  
Tim & Vicky Strang  
Norman & Sherie Strang  
Suever family  
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Dan & Linda Wood  
Betty Green  
Pete & Marie Baldwin  
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Quincy Rebekah Lodge #186

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Marsha & Harlen McClellan

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The Bowerman family

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**Harold Schultz**  
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**Don & Teddy Sinclair** - 50th Anniversary  
Dan & Judy Dobson

**Nancy Smith**  
Secret Sister

## Baldwin Endowment Fund

### Donations:

Dan & Judy Dobson  
David & Holly Stephenson

## Annual Friends of the Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Library invites you to renew or begin your membership. The membership begins January 2010. Please complete the below information, enclose a check payable to the Friends of the Library and either send it to the library or to Teddy Sinclair at 490 Clarendon Rd., Quincy, MI 49082. The Friends of the Library are responsible for the continuance of the newsletter and assisting with many of the library's programs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership: \$5.00

I am interested in contributing an additional \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the continuance of this newsletter.

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