

— Quincy Branch Library —

April 2026

Note From Branch Manager—Sarah Strong

Happy Spring! Yay! I'm beyond ready for warmer weather and sunshine! We have been busy and having so much fun in the library -

- Dr Seuss Day was so much fun! We had just shy of 50 people come to the event. The live characters were a really big hit and everyone seemed to really enjoy the snacks, crafts, and scavenger hunt. A few kiddos played the games and got the Grinch participating in the games with them. The kiddos thought that was so fun! I'm looking forward to more character days like this throughout the year
- Throughout March Jennings Elementary

allowed the teachers to walk to the library with their students for March is Reading month. We have 14 classes scheduled to come. We have a library talk, scavenger hunt, and end it with some fun library/book trivia with the students. The theme this year is 'Go for the Gold in Reading' so we are handing out gold chocolate coins for those that answer the questions from the library trivia. The kiddos really seem to enjoy this.

- We were able to acquire the old magazine rack from Sherwood. We have moved many of our magazines to the rack and it has a fresh new look for the branch.

- Our Summer Reading planning is underway. The theme this year for the Summer Reading Program is ... drum roll, please ... DINOSAURS! Be on the look out for our dino-rific programs coming out and stop in the branch starting in June to check out our fun décor. It's sure to be a roarin' good time!

I hope you're able to get outside, plant a garden, play in the dirt, and enjoy all the sunshine!

Check out our event calendar to see what fun activities you can participate in!





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Quincy Library Hours

Mon 10:00-5:00 Thu 9:00-5:00

Tue 10:00-5:00 Fri 9:00-5:00

Wed 9:00-5:00 Sat 9:00-12:00

Sun-Closed

The **Branch District Library System** has seven library branches to serve you:

Algansee, Bronson, Coldwater, Quincy, Sherwood, Union Twp, and Bookmobile.



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The Quincy Branch Library memorial program has been in place for a number of years which offers individuals the opportunity to give toward book purchases *In Memory of* or *In Honor of* someone special or a special occasion. Checks to the **Quincy Library Foundation** can be mailed to 11 N. Main Street, Quincy, MI 49082 with information containing the individual's name and who the gift is from. Please provide a name and address of a family member and the library will send a notification card to the family indicating that a gift has been given in their loved one's name.

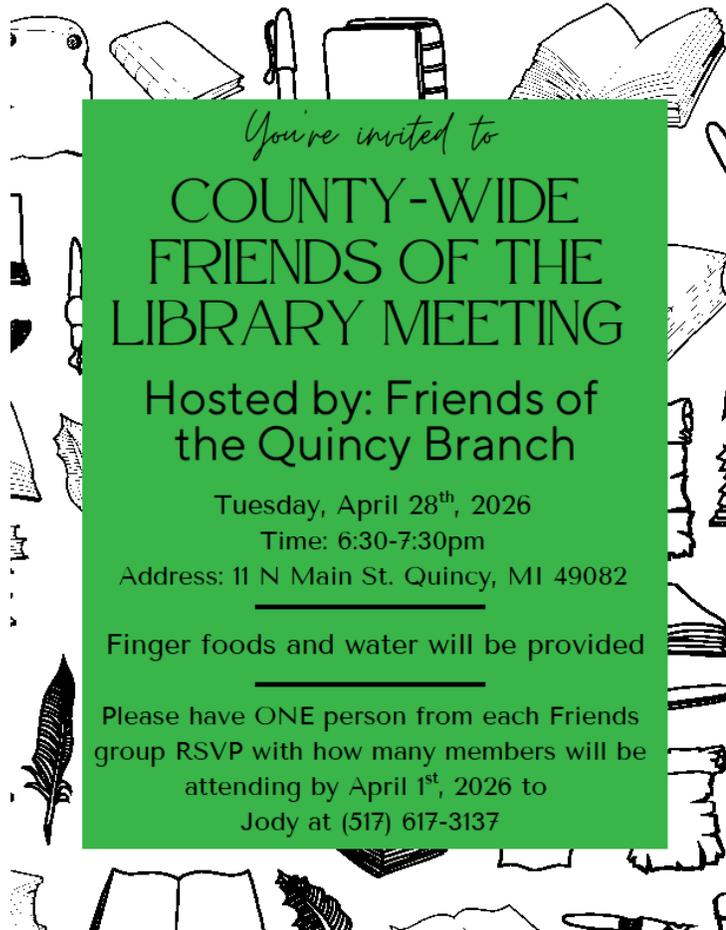
New books are purchased for the library collection according to need, but we gladly welcome subject matters or titles also that reflect the person in whose name the gift is being given.

Gifts can also be designated to our Project Fund, which is used for library building needs. Previous projects have supported new lighting, a book drop and shelving.



Library Shelf Sitters are still available at the library for \$20

You are currently receiving this newsletter from the Friends of the Library. If you would like your name removed from the mailing list, please email us at: quincy@branchdistrictlibrary.org or call the library at 639.4001



You're invited to

COUNTY-WIDE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETING

Hosted by: Friends of the Quincy Branch

Tuesday, April 28th, 2026
 Time: 6:30-7:30pm
 Address: 11 N Main St. Quincy, MI 49082

Finger foods and water will be provided

Please have ONE person from each Friends group RSVP with how many members will be attending by April 1st, 2026 to Jody at (517) 617-3137

Update from the:
 Coldwater Friends of the Branch District Library

Plans are under way for our annual book sale on June 20 during Coldwater's Strawberry Fest weekend. Books are sold for \$3.00 per bag, (grocery bags will be available but feel free to bring your own). Book sales are a way to support your library. Proceeds from these sales make it possible to help support kids place summer reading programs; teen summer reading programs and district programs like the recent March is Reading Month. Another outstanding program is the "One Book, One County" read event. Seven book conversations took place during the month of March at various library locations. The book conversations discussed John U. Bacon's, *"The Gales of November: The Untold Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald"*. The nonfiction book is an excellent read which is an account of the lives of the lost men and their families. You can find the book at your local branch and also on the library's Hoopla program (both as an audio book and an e-Book). We highly recommend this book!

Quincy Friends of the Library will be hosting the County-Wide Meeting

Our Quincy Friends of the Library are busy planning a fun night for all of the Branch County Library Friends groups on Tuesday, April 28 from 6:30—7:30 pm.

The meeting is held once a year and the location is rotated between each of the library branches.

If you would like to attend the meeting as a Quincy Friend, please contact Jody Willard at 517-617-3137 to secure your spot. Or just volunteer your time to help with the event!

The evening will include light refreshments, games, and giveaways!



Quincy Historical Society
 Founded 2008
 10 E. Jefferson St.
 Quincy, MI 49082
 Museum Tours & Info:
 517-639-4595

Join Our Checkout Challenge!

Help us reach our goal of 2,500 checkouts during National Library Week!

Check out at least one item in person or online from April 19-25! You'll be automatically entered for a chance to win a Meijer gift card. Every branch will have a winner!

Books, music, and movies – they all count!

Full contest rules are available at www.BranchDistrictLibrary.org/checkout-challenge

ALGANSEE OPEN HOUSE

Save the Date – April 25, 2026
Join us for an open house celebrating our newly remodeled and relocated library. More details coming soon!

www.BranchDistrictLibrary.org
378 S. Ray Quincy Rd.



Friends of the Quincy Library Update:

Dear Friends,

I hope everyone had a good winter and are enjoying this lovely weather. Now we will say a little prayer it stays! The Friends have been resting since the first of the new year, but we are getting in gear for our busy spring and summer.

Our Quincy Friends are hosting the County wide meeting on April 28. And, please mark your calendar for the Tuesday, April 21 at 3:30 pm. This will be our first Friends of the Library meeting of 2026. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month April-October. We have a busy summer planned and would be thrilled with more help!

Hope to see you at the Library-

Jody Willard, Quincy Friends of the Library President.

Children's Events:

Storytime

Book, snack, and craft for ages 2-5.

Weekly on Wednesday, 10:30

Springtime Cup Bunnies

Mon., Apr. 6, 3:30

Springtime Wind Chimes

Mon., Apr. 20, 3:30

Cinco de Mayo Craft

Mon., Apr. 27, 3:30

Mother's Day Craft

Mon., May 5, 3:30

Letters to Soldiers

Mon., May 11, 3:30

Our "Nest" Best Craft

Mon., May 18, 3:30

Upcoming Events:

Teen Events (ages 12-17):

Snacks & Crafts
Wednesday, Apr. 8, Apr. 22, May 13, May 27, 3:30

Adult Events:

CPR Certified Class

MUST Pre-Register for this class!

Tue., Apr. 21, 10:30 am—12:30 pm

Custom Wooden Signs *Live Edge*

MUST Pre-Register for this class!

Mon., May 11, 10:30



Adult class making Bead Spring Wreaths. Join the fun!



SEED LIBRARY



SCAN ME!



Available at the Algansee, Coldwater, and Union Twp. Library

FREE packets of vegetables and flower seeds! See our website www.BranchDistrictLibrary.org/seeds for more information!



Friends of the Library BOOK SALE

Quincy Branch
Library

11 N Main St., Quincy, MI

Friday, June 5th

9:00 am -5:00 pm

Saturday, June 6th

9:00 am -12:00 pm

\$1.00 to fill a bag
Buy a new book bag for
\$10.00 and fill for free



On March 2, Quincy Library hosted Dr. Seuss Day. Special guests for the event were The Grinch and the Cat in the Hat—not to mention Thing 1 & Thing 2! The Quincy Friends of the Library provided Dr. Seuss themed refreshments (Grinch punch, Green eggs & Ham pretzels, Cat in the Hat string cheese, and Lorax cheese balls). Each child that attended received a hard covered Dr. Seuss book. Activities included a Dr. Seuss scavenger hunt and Seuss themed crafts. Check out all of the upcoming FUN events hosted by the Quincy Library staff on page 4! Or pick up an Events guide!

Quincy Chamber Connection

CHAMBER CHAT

Summer Starts Here! Celebrate “Welcome Back to the Lake!”

The Quincy Chamber of Commerce is ready to kick off summer, and everyone is invited to join the fun at “Welcome Back to the Lake!” Mark your calendar for **Saturday, May 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Tip Up Island** as we celebrate the return of lake season in beautiful Quincy.

This family-friendly event is a great chance for **locals and lake families** to reconnect, enjoy the community, and see what Quincy has to offer. Check out **local business vendors**, let the kids enjoy **games and activities**, and enter **prize drawings throughout the afternoon**. The Chamber will also be giving away a **Yeti cooler**, so be sure to stop by and enter for a chance to win!

Come hungry! The Chamber will be serving a **free lunch of hot dogs, chips, and salad**, making it easy to relax, visit with friends, and soak in a fun afternoon at the lake.

Be sure to check out a special **historical display presented by the Quincy Historical Society**, sharing the fascinating story behind the **Chain of Lakes**. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the **Wolverine Portland Cement Company** harvested **marl** from several local lakes to produce cement, bringing jobs and growth to the Quincy area. Historic photos and information will show how this unique industry helped shape the lakes and the community we enjoy today.

And the fun doesn’t stop there! The Chamber and the Village have a full summer of great events planned, including:

- **Sounds of Summer Concert Series** beginning **June 11**, with live music **every other Thursday from 6:00–8:00 p.m.** through **August 20**
- The festive **Quincy Fourth of July Parade**.
- **Fireworks Over Marble Lake on July 3**

Bring your family, invite your neighbors, and come celebrate the start of another great summer — **because summer in Quincy begins at the lake!**



**2026 Quincy Branch Library
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Branch Manager—Sarah Strong
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ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Friends of the Library invite you to renew or begin your membership at any time, though membership typically begins January of each year. Please complete the information below, enclose a check payable to: *Friends of the Quincy Library*. Mail to the library or to: Teddy Sinclair, 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

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