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THE BOOKPLATE

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Pardon Our Mess

Within a few days the Boone County Library will be getting a new roof. Our roof has been leaking for some time now and in order to protect the investment that our county has made in books, computers and the building itself, it was time to fix our leaky roof. This building was built in 1962 as Security Bank, it became the home of the Boone County Library in 1985, at which time a second layer of roofing was put down. After extensive research into different roofing systems and materials, the Library Board decided on the TPO (thermoplastic olefin) liner system. This material is used to line swimming pools and is welded together at the seams so that we won't have water seeping through the seams into the building.

The building is owned by the county, but the county does not have the funds to put on a new roof. Our county one millage tax is enough to buy books, computers and other materials, but not enough to renovate this building. We were very fortunate that someone had given the library some money years ago that was put into a Certificate of Deposit (CD). By using this CD and gathering up some other donations, we will be able to afford the new roof. But if anything else, and there are other things that need to be addressed in this building, needs immediate attention, we will be very short of funds. Now is the time to protect our library and we are very excited about this opportunity.

LaVoyce Ewing
Library Director