Lowell Library Lines

March 2021

Lowell Public Library
1505 East Commercial
Lowell, IN 46356
phone 696-7704
fax 696-5280
www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

New Expanded Hours

Mon.-Thurs.	9 AM-6 PM
Fri.- Sat.	9 AM-5 PM

Schneider Branch
24002 Parrish Ave.
Schneider, IN 46376
552-1000

New Expanded Hours

Mon.-Thurs.	4 PM-7 PM
Fri.	CLOSED
Sat.	9 AM-1 PM

Shelby Branch
23323 Shelby Rd
Shelby, IN 46377
552-0809

New Expanded Hours

Mon.-Thurs.	1 PM-6 PM
Fri.	CLOSED
Sat.	9 AM-2 PM

A Letter from our New Director

Greetings,

I am honored to be the new Director of the Lowell Public Library. I think reading is so important – reading connects and unites us in adventures, information, family, knowledge, enjoyment, creative and curiosity outlets, friends, our communities, the world, and other things that add to life. When I am in a room full of books, I am happy. I want to share this excitement with the community.

My first teaching job out of college was teaching for Tri-Creek Schools. I obtained my Master's Degree in Education and taught school for several years here and in Jasper County. After our children were born, I became a stay-at-home mom and then a homeschool teacher. After my children were grown, I applied at the local library as a Page. I began to work my way up to various positions and various locations in the Jasper County Library System. I completed my Master of Library Science and worked as the DeMotte Library Branch Manager. I worked in the JCPL system 13 years.

Now I am back to the community where I started my professional career. I am eager to serve this community and lead the Lowell Public Library to excellence. I look forward to meeting the people of the local community and working together to make Lowell shine. Please stop by the library anytime we are open so we can meet personally.

Deborah Kristoff, MLS
Director
Lowell Public Library

For Adults in March

Check out our YouTube channel.

At various times during the month, Tuesdays will be designated for crafts (some offering free craft kits), recipes, and other educational programs geared toward adults; Fridays are for new computer tips and other tech videos .

AARP Tax Aide

Free tax preparation, for low-income (up to 40,000), disabled or retired individuals will be offered by AARP volunteers now through April 5. You MUST be a resident of the Tri-Creek area (Cedar, Eagle or West Creek) to register. Tax appointments will be curbside drop-off/pick-up only. NO tax appointments will be held inside the library. Please stay in your car and an AARP volunteer will come out to you. Appointment slots will fill up fast– call now!

Tax Forms

Free Federal tax forms are located opposite the public copier in the reference area. Please take only one of each form you need. You can make copies if you need more than one copy of any form.

Unfortunately, Indiana forms were not sent to libraries this year, they are only available online. Ask at the reference desk and we can print out the forms you need at 10¢ cost per page. Since we are often working on several requests at once, please leave us a list of what you need and we will call you when your order is ready to be picked up.

If you have a computer at home, you can get your Federal forms online at https://www.irs.gov and Indiana forms at https://www.in.gov/dor/ .

$2 Bag Book Sale

Get some great bargains on the last Saturday of each month at our Friends of the Library used book sale. Books are only $2.00 a bag! Bring your own bag or purchase one of our *Love Lowell Library* reusable tote bags. Our plastic bear and/or dog bags ($1.00 each) can also be used for the sale.

Donations

We are once again able to accept your donations of gently used books, magazines, DVDs and CDs! Ring the bell at the door on the east side of our building (right next to the book drop). A staff member will meet you at the door. PLEASE DO NOT bring your donations inside the building or leave items outside our doors.

Your donations will be used to either supplement the library collection or be added to the Friends of the Library used book sale. If you have any questions regarding what we can take, just give us a call during library business hours. Thank you in advance!

Friends of the Library

We hope all of our Friends members are staying happy and healthy during this time. We look forward ot resuming regular meetings in the future. Thank you to all who volunteer and support the library.

Young Adult Virtual Programs

Tune in every Wednesday to our YouTube channel for our Teen program hosted by Miss Hayley.

March 3 - Button Art
March 10 - Board Game: Splendor
March 17 - Splatter Painting
March 24 - Reading Moments: Women Authors
March 31 - No Video

Don't forget to check out our previous videos to see other book reviews, games, and craft ideas!

For Kids this Month

Online Story Time with Miss Jackie

Join Miss Jackie three times this month on our YouTube channel! Tune in on Tuesday March 2 (Dr. Seuss' birthday), Thursday March 11, and on Wednesday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day).

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Dr. Seuss craft bags will be available beginning Monday March 1. You can come in or call ahead for curbside pick up. Inside your bag you will find extra goodies to help celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday. These extras have been generously donated by the GFWC Lowell Woman's Club. You can also enter your name for a chance to win a Dr. Seuss book in our book drawing! Watch Miss Jackie on YouTube on March 2 for a story, craft, and a flannel board game.

March Craft

Make a leprechaun hat and beard! Craft kits will be available Monday, March 8, at the circulation desk or call for curbside pick up.

Catch That Leprechaun Contest!

Let's see how creative you can get. Build a trap and try to catch that tricky Leprechaun! Think of things that would lure a Leprechaun into your trap. They love gold coins and candy!

Once yours is built, if you would like to have your photo posted on our Facebook page, just email your photo with your first and last name, phone number and age to: jbergstrom@lowellpl.lib.in.us

First name and age only will be used for the Facebook post. Your full name and phone number will only be used by the library in the prize drawing.

Photo entries need to be emailed by Monday, March 15th in order to be posted on our Facebook page and your name to be entered in a prize drawing. Winner will be contacted by Wednesday, March 17th!

COVID-19: What We Are Doing to Keep You Safe

- **Curbside service is still available by request.**
- **We no longer have time restrictions (except for public computer use).**
- **Newspapers can be read daily. Magazines can be read in the library or checked out.**
- **Masks are required and all social distancing guidelines must be followed.**
- **"Stand Here" X's have been placed throughout the library and plastic shields have been installed at our reference and circulation desks.**
- **Tutoring/small group space is not available.**
- **Print/Copy/Scan/Fax services is available, however due to social distancing guidelines, they are self-service only. Printing/Copying is limited to 50 pages per day.**
- **Computer usage is limited to ONE hour per day and machines are sanitized between use. Staff cannot provide "over the shoulder" assistance as we will be maintaining recommended distancing. Please bring someone with you if you think you will need technical help.**
- **All materials must be returned to the OUTSIDE book drop only. Items are quarantined before being put back into circulation.**
- **Because of limited staff, it is not possible to ensure that bathrooms and other common surface areas are sanitized at all times; please act accordingly.**
- **All programs for children, teens, and adults will continue to be enjoyed virtually. Subscribe to our YouTube channel. Crafts, cooking, history programs, and story time are among some of the topics you can explore and learn from!**
- **Study and meeting rooms and some furniture will not be available to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Remaining furniture has been rearranged to promote social distancing.**

NO MASKS
NO ENTRY
NO EXCEPTIONS! *

In response to current COVID conditions and in order to keep our patrons and staff safe, you absolutely must wear a mask over your nose and mouth while you are in the library. If you are unable to wear a mask, we would gladly set you up to use our Curbside service - we bring items right to your car!

Other resources available to you include:

- **Outdoor FREE Wi-Fi**
- **Downloadable and Streamed materials**
- **Online educational databases**
- **Reference assistance via email (referenc@lowellpl.lib.in.us) or phone 696-7704**

We appreciate the public's patience during this time as we restore library service in varying stages. We look forward to welcoming the community back into our buildings and also to the day when we can restore full operations safely.

***unless under 2 years of age or if you cannot wear a mask because of a medical condition**

New Fiction Books:

The Umbrella Lady **- Andrews, V.C.**

The Witch's Heart **- Gornichec, Genevieve**

The Four Winds **- Hannah, Kristin**

The Unwilling **- Hart, John**

Shipped **- Hockman, Angie**

Layla **- Hoover, Colleen**

Never Far Away **- Koryta, Michael**

Robert Ludlum's The Treadstone Exile **- Ludlum, Robert**

The Vineyard at Painted Moon **- Mallery, Susan**

The Nature of Fragile Things **- Meissner, Susan**

Endless Mercy **- Peterson, Tracie**

The Shadow Box **- Rice, Luanne**

The Perfect Guests **- Rous, Emma**

The Paris Library **- Skeslien Charles, Janet**

The Ex Talk **- Solomon, Rachel Lynn**

Cobble Hill **- Von Ziegesar, Cecily**

New Mysteries:

A Stranger in Town **- Armstrong, Kelley**

The Power Couple **- Berenson, Alex**

A Simple Murder **– Castillo, Linda**

The Captive **- Foster, Fiona King**

The Survivors **- Harper, Jane**

Blink of an Eye **- Johansen, Iris**

Serpentine **- Kellerman, Jonathan**

Black Widows **- Quinn, Cate**

Shiver **- Reynolds, Allie**

Faithless in Death **- Robb, J.D.**

New Non-Fiction Books:

Amazing Alabama **- Lacey, T. Jansen**

Change: How to Make Big Things Happen **- Centola, Damon**

Dearly: New Poems **- Atwood, Margaret**

Escaping Emotion Abuse **- Engel, Beverly**

The FBI Way **- Figliuzzi, Frank**

The Foot Fix **- Zake, Yamuna**

Greater Than a Tourist **- Villescas, Ellycia**

Handbook of United States Coins

HBR's 10 Must Reads

Imperial China

Interesting Stories for Curious People **- O'Neill, Bill**

Intermittent Fasting **- Brill, Janet Bond**

The Internment of Japanese-Americans and German-Americans

Intuition: Access Your Inner Wisdom **- Ghadiali, Amisha**

The Last Slave Ships **- Harris, John**

Memoirs of a Kamikaze **- Odachi, Kazuo**

The Simple Paleo Kitchen **- Bittner, Jessie**

Texting Terms **- Jansen, Erin**

Tidy Up or Simplify **- Long, Brita**

What if I'm Wrong **- Rodberg, Simon**

Why Cope When You Can't Heal? **- Goulston, Mark**

Working from Home **- Powers, Tara**

The World's Best Dad During and After Divorce- **Mandelstein, Paul**

New on DVD:

Alone

Come Play

Cooking Across the Ages

Critical Thinking

Dark and the Wicked

Dreamland

Elizabeth is Missing

The Entrepreneur's Toolkit

Faith Under Fire

Fatman

Honest Thief

Infidel

Jungleland

Kajillionaire

Love and Monsters

Person of Interest Season 1-5

The Reason

The Science of Gardening

Spontaneous

A Summer Romance

Synchronic

Tesla

Then Came You

The Traitor

Upside-Down Magic

We Summon the Darkness

Wild Mountain Thyme

Wolf of Snow Hollow

World War II: Battlefield Europe

New DVD Policy for 2021

You are now allowed to place holds on DVDs (except new releases). In addition, we have expanded the amount of DVDs you can check out at one time AND the length of time you may borrow them for:

New Feature Films - 4 at a time for 3 days

TV Series and Older Films - 8 at a time for 7 days (plus 1 auto-renewal).

Non - Fiction - 4 at a time for 14 days (plus 1 auto-renewal).

That's a total of 16 DVDs you can take out with one trip to the library!

Renewals are automatic UNLESS someone has placed a hold on them. It is your responsibility to check on your own record.

New Audio CDs:

Classic Radio Comedy, Red Skelton Scrapbook of Satire

Great Radio Science Fiction

Original Radio Broadcasts - Candy Matson, Yukon 2-8209 Vol. 1

Original Radio Broadcasts - Classic Radio's Greatest Comedy Shows Vol. 1

Original Radio Broadcasts - Classic Radio's Greatest Detective Shows, Vol. 1

Original Radio Broadcasts - Escape Vol. 1

Original Radio Broadcasts - Inner Sanctum Mysteries Vol. 1 & 2

Original Radio Broadcasts - Richard Diamond Private Detective Vol. 1

Original Radio Broadcasts - Suspense Vol. 1

The Whistler Death Watch