

Lowell Library Lines







To Our Friends of the Library

Dear Friends,

Thank you for helping to make our library and its Shelby and Schneider branches the best they can be. Because of your efforts, our community residents have enjoyed many of the programs that you sponsored through your generous donations each year.

You've shown your commitment to the children of the Tri-Creek community by sponsoring Childrens' Story Hour, Craft Corner programs, National Library Week events, Summer Reading Club, Young Adult Reading Contest, the Kids' Nature Club, Children's Book Week, the Santa Story Hour and more. These programs help to foster a love of reading in young people.

Each month the library is able to offer many programs for our young adult and adult participants, thanks in part to the Friends. Over the past few years the Friends of the Library also have worked with the Lowell Parks Department to provide programs that are attractive to our senior population. Seating is at full capacity at many of our senior programs.

The on-going book sale run by the Friends is so popular with our patrons that we have extended the shelving area to accommodate more materials. And, the public copier the Friends purchased as a fundraiser is used thousands of times each year by the public.

I want to express my appreciation to all the Friends members for their commitment and dedication as we look forward to the coming year.

Santa is a Charmer

To the hundred plus children who visited the library and its Shelby and Schneider branches to hear Santa Claus read his stories to them and hear their holiday wishes, Santa is a very special fellow. His words are wise, especially when he tells the children of the importance of reading.

Our thanks to Brian Mathias for arranging Santa's visit.

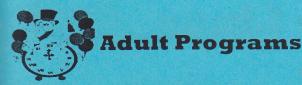
Sincerely,

Barbara Berkey, Director Lowell Public Library

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For Young Adults

Game night for young adults, 5th grade through 12th is held each Thursday, at 6:30 PM. Contact Debbie Blink, Young Adult Coordinator for information of upcoming programs.



Library Quilters Meet - LowellEach Monday, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.
9 AM - 12:30 PM
Bring your quilting projects.

Blood Pressure Testing - Shelby Monday, January 9, 10:30 AM - 12 Noon Testing is offered on a first come/first served basis.

Adult Book Discussion - Shelby Monday, January 9, at 5:30 PM Join the book discussion at the Shelby Branch. Read Listen to the Silence by Marcia Muller. Share your views.

Learn Tatting - Lowell

Tuesdays, January 10 & 17, at 6 PM Cherie Whybrew will offer free tatting classes. Since the 16th century, tatting has been a form of "fancy work." It is the art of making handmade lace by looping and knotting a single thread on a small shuttle. Once you know the basics you can create beautiful doilies, lace tablecloths, edging for handkerchiefs, baby bonnets, and other tatting projects.

Talk to an Attorney Today - Lowell

Monday, January 16, 9 AM to 5 PM
Attorneys will volunteer their time and legal
expertise to answer questions in the library's
Program Room on a first come/first served
basis. The service is free.

Adult Craft Night - Shelby

Monday, January 16, at 5 PM Bring your craft projects and work with others.

Blood Pressure/Sugar Test - Lowell

Wednesday, January 18, 9 AM to 11 AM. Blood pressure and sugar (glucose) screening is offered by technicians of the Clinical Management Services.

Senior Valentine Craft Day- Lowell

Thursday, January 19, at 11 AM
Bring a brown bag lunch and make a Valentine
craft. We provide the delicious desserts. Call
the Lowell Parks Department, co-sponsor of the
program, at 696-1570 for reservations. Space is
limited.

NWI Poetry Society Meets - Lowell

Saturday, January 21, at 10 AM
Bring your poetry to share with other poets.
Enjoy learning the art of poetry writing.

Acrylic Painting Class - Lowell

Monday, January 23, at 9:30 AM Recreate "Winter's Glow," an acrylic painting by artist Pat Mahns on display at the circulation desk. Fee is \$13, due upon registration.

Da Vinci Code at Book Group - Lowell

Wednesday, January 25, at 6;30 PM
Join a discussion of the hottest book in three
years, *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown. Still
on the bestseller list since published in 2003, *The Da vinci Code* draws the reader into a
web of a 2000 year old conspiracy following
the murder of the curator of the Louvre
Museum and the discovery of a secret code
hidden in the works of Leonardo da Vinci.

Dried Flower Wreath Class - Lowell

Wednesday, January 25, at 6:30 PM. Holly Keithley will teach participants to create their own dried flower wreath. The wreaths are 15" and 20". Fee for the class is \$25. A sample wreath is on display at the library.

Card Games - Schneider

Thursday, January 26, at 3 PM. Enjoy playing card games with others. Refreshments too!

Garden Series 2005

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"The Subject Is Roses" will be presented by Master Gardener Phyllis Nelson on Monday, January 25, at 7 PM. Nelson will take you on a journey through the history of roses. Roses are an enormously varied group of plants. Nelson will discuss selection, planting and maintenance of this beautiful flower species. Upcoming programs are:

February 27, Hazard Trees/Seed Trade March 20, Wildflowers

April 24, Hosta

May 22, Pesticide Update for Homeown-



"The hardest thing in the world to understand is the income tax" ... Albert Einstein

Help is on the way for senior citizens, low income or disabled residents who are seeking help filing their income tax forms. Beginning the first week in February, the library will offer free tax filing assistance. Appointments will be scheduled for 45 minute sessions with trained and certified AARP Tax-Aide volunteer counselors. Call the library for times and dates.

The library is also expecting federal and state tax forms to arrive in mid-January. Tax forms can also be downloaded from the Internet by the Reference Librarian.

Schneider Branch Kids' Corner

Step out of the cold and into the warmth of the Schneider Library for "Game Day" on Thursday, January 12, at 3:45 PM. Challenge your friends to a friendly board game. Bring your own game or use one of ours.

Create a Lifesaver Snowman Craft Day at the at the Schneider Branch Library on Thursday, January 19, at 3:45 PM.

Everyday is Bargain Day

Our patrons love the on-going book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Recycled books, paperbacks, books-on-tape, magazines, videos and cassettes are available at the sale.

The Friends appreciate donations of recyclable items for the sale. Ring the doorbell at the staff entrance and staff will be glad to help you unload your items.

Your Library On the Web

http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

Lowell History on the Web:

http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/history.htm

Richard Schmal's "Pioneer History" Column:

http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/ltschmal.htm

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Shelby Branch Kids' Programs

Saturday Movies

12 Noon for kids of all ages. Enjoy a fun flick with your friends.

Game Night

Each Thursday, 4 PM - 5 PM, kids can play Chess, Chinese Checkers, Scrabble and card games.

YAs (Young Adult) Book Discussion

YAs will meet on Tuesday, January 24, at 5 PM for a book discussion of *A Face First* by Priscilla Cummings.

An Old Fashioned Christmas

Charles Dickens would have felt at home in the authentic and inviting Victorian "parlor" created by the Lowell Garden Club for the library's display case in the foyer.

Designed with antiques and handcrafted items to replicate a Victorian Christmas, the display drew raves from library patrons and delighted little children who loved looking at the old fashioned dolls and other toys in the display. Our thanks to the Lowell Garden Club for their wonderful display.

Blood Drive

A Red Cross Blood Drive, sponsored by the Lowell Tri-Kappas and the library will be held on Saturday, February 7. from 9 AM to 1 PM.



Winter Craft Corner

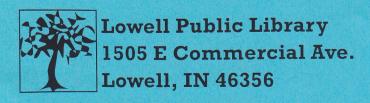
When the winter snows come it's fun to go outside and build a snowman. Children attending Craft Corner can have an indoor snowman too! Pre-school children will meet on Thursday, January 12, at 10 AM. School age children will meet on that same date at 3:30 PM. Pre-register by calling the library at 696-7704.



Story Time Sign-Ups

Registration for the February/March Story Time, for children ages 4 to 5 years, has begun. Story Time is designed to foster a love of reading by introducing children to picture books. Children also enjoy interacting with other children their age at Story Time.

Story Time will be held for 6 weeks, February 7th through March 15. Call the library for times and pre-registration.



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