GRANT MONEY RECEIVED

Virginia Maravilla, Director of the Lowell library system, reports that \$15,000. of the Library Services and Construction Act has been approved for a second year of funding for the branch libraries in Schneider and Shelby. The grant was approved by the Indiana Library and Historical Board because Congress made additional funds available.

Funding had previously been totally eliminated. "While this is less than half the amount requested, it will certainly help," said Mrs. Maravilla.

Many thanks to all who wrote letters to the State Library, and to Congressman Jim Jontz and State Senator Sue Landske for their support.

BOOK SALE A SUCCESS

The Friends of the Library Book Sale was a great success. Thanks to all who donated items, all who helped at the Bale, and all who bought the books, records, and magazines.

The Friends made over \$500, a record sale! The money will be used to support the programs and services of the library.

Seasons' Greetings
Christmas
Hanukkah



The Lowell Public Library,
Schneider Branch, and
Shelby Branch
will be closed on Dec. 24th and
Dec. 25th in honor of the
Christmas holidays. Call the
libraries for more information
about other holiday closings.

'tis the season to be Jolly

STAFF NEWS

--Welcome back to Melissa Makarowski, Children's Librarian. She will be doing craft hours and story times (good practice for the new baby boy, Nicholas.)

--Welcome to new employee, Kristi Patchett. Kristi is a senior at Lowell High School and will work as a page.

--Loretta Brewer has returned from a sick leave and feels fine as she resumes her library duties.

--Frequent visitor to the library is James Berkey, age 6 months. "Jay" is the son of Reference Librarian Barbara Berkey (teaching him early about the library, Barb?)

Lowell Public Library

250 North Fremont Street Lowell, Indiana 46356-1899

DECEMBER

Friends Decorate Library
Friday, Dec. 2, 7:00 PM
The Friends group will assist the
library staff in decorating the
library for the holidays.

-Blood Pressure and Diabetes Testing
Thursday, Dec. 8, 10 AM to 12 noon
1 PM to 3 PM
The Lake County Health Department
will offer free testing to the
public.

-Friends To Host Dinner Friday, Dec. 9, 6:30 PM The Friends will have a Christmas dinner for members only.

-Library Board to Meet
Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7:30 PM
The Board will meet in the
community room and has asked the
library staff and Friends
members to attend a Christmas
get-together after the meeting.

CHECK THIS OUT

The library has books to beautify the mind and offers two services to satisfy art devotees, also. Expertly-framed art prints (pictures) and dignified museum replicas (statues and knick-knacks) can be borrowed for a 2 week loan period. Carrying cases are provided for safe transportation.

Art prints include:

Grace by Enstrom
Blue Antique Car by Carrington
Deep in the Woods by Carlson
Writing Chair by Wyeth
On the Terrace by Renoir
The Runaway by Rockwell

Statues include:

Story Hour - a young boy reading
Playtime - mother and child
Bee - A golden bee
Motherhood - an owl family
Horus Falcon - An Egyptian hawk
Praying Hands- the famous sculpture

FREE CHRISTMAS CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN

Children will have a "merry good time" making crafts and hearing stories this Christmas.

Pre-school age children will make Rudolph, Santa's Reindeer. He can be used as a card holder or decoration. A parent or adult must accompany each child to help.
School-age children will make a Christmas elf to use as a hanging decoration. Materials are provided by the library.

Pre-registration is required for all craft classes.

LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY 696-7704

Pre-school craft - Thurs. Dec. 1 - 10:30 AM School-age craft - Thurs. Dec. 8 - 3:30 PM

SCHNEIDER BRANCH 552-1000

Pre-school craft - Mon. Dec. 12 - 2:00 PM School-age craft - Mon. Dec. 12 - 4:00 PM

SHELBY BRANCH 552-0809

Pre-school craft - Thurs. Dec. 15 - 2:00 PM School-age craft - Thurs. Dec. 15 - 4:00 PM

