

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL OUR BOARD MEMBERS, PATRONS, AND FRIENDS
FROM THE STAFF OF THE LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.





The Lowell Public Library Literacy Program, under the direction of Project Coordinator Nell Fabish announces the official opening of the Adult Literacy Headquarters on Wednesday, December 13.

The library's literacy program was started in 1987 to teach reading and writing to the growing numbers of functionally illiterate adults in our area.

Providing private study areas in the library became increasingly difficult as more and more students registered for the program. Additional space was clearly needed.

Through the cooperation of the Cedar Creek township trustee, Lois Dahl, the township advisory board and Craig Turpin, Director of the Adult Learning Center GED Program, a separate area of the Learning Center is being established for the library's literacy program.

Assistant Coordinator, Terri Jeffries, will be located at the new headquarters on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 to 5 PM. She will provide tutors and private learning areas to adults wishing to improve their basic reading and writing skills and also to give out basic information on the literary program. The program, which is a free service of the library will continue to be available at the library when the center is closed.

In the future, additional tutoring sites will be established in the Shelby and Schneider communities.

Funding for the literacy project is made possible through a grant by the Library Service and Construction Act, Title VII in the amount of \$24.872.00 with in house matching funds of \$7,889.00

The Lowell Public Library cordially invites the community to visit the Adult Literacy Headquarters at 150 N. Fremont for the official opening on Wednesday, December 13 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Refreshments will be served.

For more information on the library's literacy program, call 696-7707 or 696-7704.

# **'TIS THE SEASON**



TO BE JOLLY



BOOK SALE MANIA

THANKS!

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to the Friends of the Library, Boy Scout Pack #302, Girl Scout Troop #291 and all of our library patrons who helped set up and sell, sell, sell the thousands and thousands of books at the annual "Lowell's Biggest Book Sale," an annual fundraiser of the Friends of the Library.

It was a monumental task but over 50 volunteers answered the call, and with strong backs and willing hearts their efforts made this the most successful Lowell Library book sale to date.

Over \$700.00 was raised for final payment on the library's computer terminal and for purchase of materials for the Shelby and Schneider Branches.

It is the support of volunteers such as these that the library is able to purchase materials and provide services over and above their tax funding.

Thank you so much, Friends and patrons.



#### O TANNENBAUM

Soon the lights of the library Christmas trees will herald the coming of the yuletide holiday.

Friends of the Library will join library staff in trimming the Christmas trees and decorating the library for the yuletide season Friday, December 1 at 5:30 PM. A potluck dinner will be held in the meeting room prior to the tree trimming.

Persons interested in joining the Friends of the Library should contact Nell Fabish, 696-7704. Membership fee is \$5.00 per year.

#### NEW COPIER AT THE LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library patrons saw double, then triple over the last few months as a variety of copy machines appeared, disappeared and appeared again.

Over the years, Friends of the Library have provided copier service for public use at the library.

The time had come to replace the well used equipment with a new copier. Several models were demonstrated before Friends made the final selection.

Friends are sorry if you were inconvenienced by all the changes.

Cost of copies is still 15¢ for letter, legal and ledger size. If you need assistance when making your copies, please don't hesitate to ask staff for help.

We're hoping the new copier will provide high quality copies for many years to come.



#### CHRISTMAS SURPRISE

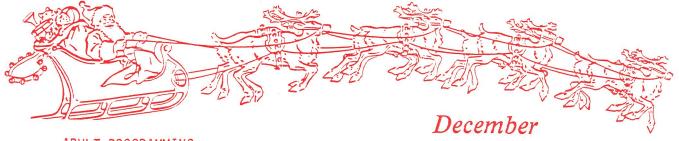


Pretty packages dressed in holiday wrapping under the Christmas tree bring a warm smile and an air of excitement to youngsters and adults.

The Lowell Public Library and its branches will have a Christmas drawing for surprise packages on Thursday, December 21.

Check out five books and fill out a drawing slip. You could receive an extra holiday gift to put under your tree for that special day.

The last day to register for the drawing will be Wednesday, December 20.



#### ADULT PROGRAMMING

## Official opening of the Adult Literacy Headquarters

Wednesday, December 13 9:00 AM-5:00 PM The Lowell Public Library will open the new headquarters for its adult literacy program at the Adult Learning Center, 150 N. Fremont Street.

The library cordially invites the public to visit its literacy headquarters on Dec. 13. Information on the literacy program will be available and refreshments will be served.





## Blood Pressure/Diabetes Testing

Lowell Public Library & Shelby Branch Thursday, Dec. 14 Free testing by the Lake County Health Department. First come, first serve basis.

<u>Shelby</u> 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM <u>Lowell</u> 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM

## Library Board to Meet

Monday, December 18
The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will be held Monday, December 18, at 7:00 PM following the executive meeting at 6:30 PM.

## Friends Potluck Dinner

Friday, December 1 at 5:30 PM Friends of the Library will join with library staff for a potluck dinner and tree trimming party. To pre-register for programs call: Lowell Library - 696-7704 Shelby Branch - 552-0809 Schneider Branch - 552-1000

### CRAFT CORNER

Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer had a Very Shiny Nose and if you Ever Saw it You Could Even Say it Glows

Pre-School children will make Rudolph
Reindeer puppets at Craft Corner.

A jolly Santa Claus with his white whiskers and red suit will decorate the mailbox school age kids will make at Craft Corner.

SHELBY Monday, Dec. 4.
Pre-school Craft 11:30 AM
Thursday, Dec. 21
School Age Craft 4:00 PM

LOWELL Thursday, Dec. 7
Pre-school Craft 10:30 AM
School Age Craft 3:30 PM

SCHNEIDER Thursday, Dec. 14
Both Crafts 3:30 PM

## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider Branches will be closed for the Christmas celebration Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26.

The library will also be closed for New Year's Day, Monday, January 1 and Tuesday, January 2.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

