

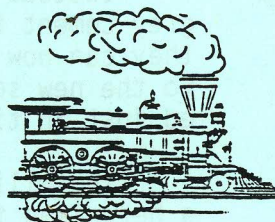
LOWELL LIBRARY LINES

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Happy New Year



FULL STEAM AHEAD

Officially opened December 13, the new Adult Literacy Headquarters signaled the start of a major effort by the Lowell Public Library to reach more adults needing to improve their reading and writing skills.

Recently trained volunteers in basic English tutoring are eager to put their new skills to work for the benefit of others.

The literacy program will now concentrate its efforts on promotion of its services. In the coming months, Project Director, Nell Fabish and Assistant Coordinator, Terri Jeffries, will be speaking to local organizations, businesses and religious leaders, to enlist their support in combating the problem of illiteracy in our area.

Providing free and confidential tutoring for students who have little or no reading skills, the new headquarters is housed in the Learning Center where continuing education classes toward GED are taught. The private area set aside for literacy tutoring will contain a desktop computer, cassette players and printed material designed to help the adult learner reach his goal.

The Center recieved a new face-lift as new carpeting was installed, a drop ceiling put in, office equipment added, and the old furnace replaced just in time for the opening of the Literacy Headquarters. Township Trustee, Lois Dahl, the Twp. Advisory Board and Learning Center Director, Craig Turpin did a wonderful job in making the center an inviting place for people to learn. Working side by side with the Learning Center, the Literacy Program hopes to make contact with a greater number of individuals needing private tutoring.

In the future, other tutoring sites are planned for the Schneider, Shelby area. When the literacy headquarters is closed, tutoring will still take place at the Lowell Public Library.

Students interested in literacy tutoring can contact Terri Jeffries at the Adult Literacy Headquarters, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 1:00PM to 4:00 PM, 696-7707, or Nell Fabish at the Lowell Public Library at 696-7704.

Funding for the expansion of the literacy program was made possible through a Library Services and Construction Act, providing funds of \$24,872 with matching library funds of \$7,889.

JANUARY

ADULT PROGRAMS

Monday, January 8, 15, 22
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
"Beginner's Quilting"

Mary K. Bruce continues classes on the art of quilt-making.

Thursday, January 11
Blood Pressure/Diabetes Testing

Shelby Branch
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM



Lowell Public Library
12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Lake County Health Department will offer free testing to participants on a first come, first serve basis.

Persons wishing Diabetes testing should fast two hours before taking this test.

Tuesday, January 23
7:00 PM

"Women Alone, The Other Side"

If you are a woman who depends upon herself for financial security, this seminar presented by Sheila Tropp, Registered Representative of Equitable Financial Services, will help you investigate opportunities to make your money work for you.



STAFF NOTES

Goodies for Christmas!

Library staff really appreciated all the cookies and candies presented to them by library patrons. The treats were wonderful and we thank you.

Staff Christmas Party

Staff had their Christmas Party on Friday, December 23, before Christmas and amid the laughter and good food, gifts were exchanged along with good wishes for a very Merry Christmas.



"STEPPING LIGHTLY"



Shelby Branch Head, Eleanor Bartz, notes a surprised look on her patron's faces these days, as they enter the library.

Instead of the cold, hard, grey cement floor they expect, they can now sink their feet into the new soft carpeting installed just in time for the holidays.

Installing the carpeting was a herculean task, as books had to be taken off the shelves and placed at the other side of the building. Then shelving, desks, chairs tables and every other piece of equipment were moved to make room for the carpetlayers.



Mrs. Bartz reports, that the carpeting, which is black and white tweed, makes the library seem so much quieter. The little ones really enjoy sitting on the rug, some even stretching out on their tummies to read.

Thank you to the Altar & Rosary Society and St. Theresa's Church for this beautiful new carpeting.



GREATEST SNOWFALL

The most snow to fall in a year was at Paradise, Mount Rainier, USA from 1971-1972. Some 31,102 mm (1,224 in) of snow fell, enough to reach a third of the way up the Statue of Liberty in New York.

The Usborne Book Of Weather Facts

LIBRARY BOARD TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will be held Monday, January 15, at 7:30 PM, following the executive meeting at 7:00 PM.





Winter

Christmas Drawing



Perfume, scarves, free haircuts and a turkey for the ladies, a video movie, flashlight, and almanac for the men, dolls, colorforms and my little ponies for the girls, and footballs, racing cars, gift certificates and tractors for the boys were just some of the 45 gifts that were given to patrons entering our Christmas Drawing.

The prizes were donated by local businesses in Lowell, Shelby and Schneider and we are very appreciative of their efforts to promote reading.

CRAFT CORNER

Snowy Day Crafts

A chubby little snowman
had a carrot nose,
Along came a bunny
and what do you suppose.



Hurrah! It snowed last night. On go the coats, mittens and stocking caps as children rush outdoors to make the first snowman of the winter season.

At the Lowell Public Library, Shelby and Schneider Branches, youngsters will make Chubby Little Snowmen. Pre-schoolers will make a jolly hang-up snowman and school-age children will construct snowmen mobiles to hang from the ceiling for a frosty winter feeling.

Schedules for Craft Corner are:

LOWELL Thurs., Jan. 4
Pre-school Craft - 10:30 AM
School Age Craft - 3:30 PM
Pre-register at 696-7704

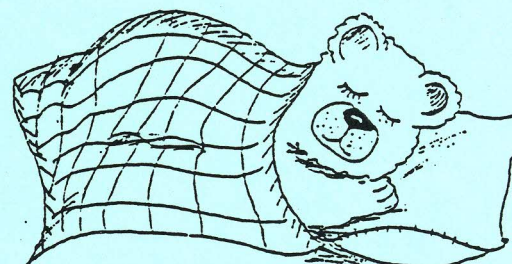


SCHNEIDER BRANCH Thurs., Jan. 11
All crafts - 3:30 PM
Pre-register at 552-1000

SHELBY BRANCH

Thurs., Jan. 18 - Pre-school Craft - 4 PM
Thurs., Jan. 25 - School Age Craft - 4 PM
Pre-register at 552-0809.

To pre-register for programs call:
Lowell Library - 696-7704
Shelby Branch - 552-0809
Schneider Branch - 552-1000



"WINTER TALES AT STORYTIME"

Stories and poems, games and songs, all the ingredients for a delightful Storytime hour have been designed to introduce your youngster to the joys of reading.

Register now for this six week program of fun filled learning activities.

Shelby Branch

Jan. 8 - Feb. 12
Every Monday - 10:30 AM

Schneider Branch

Jan. 8 - Feb. 12
Every Monday - 1:30 PM

Lowell Public Library

Jan. 9 - Feb. 14
Every Tuesday - 10:00 AM
Every Wednesday - 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM