

LOWELL LIBRARY LINES



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

WISHES COME TRUE

Wishes are coming true for the new Lowell Public Library. Thanks to the generosity of Tri-Creek residents and businesses, over \$3000 has been raised to help cover the cost of some of the furnishings in the new building.

Donations have been received from: Clarence & Virginia Harding for 2 clocks for the library's main room; Cheryl & Joe Gibson for a globe; Harding's, Inc., for 2 changeable letterboards; Violet Guritz for a lamp; Feitz Eye Clinic for a special display rack for the Children's Room; Duraclean, for 2 clocks for the Children's Room, Smith Ford, for two benches; Demotte State Bank for an outdoor bench; and Polly Roberts for a tree. Marlene Zloza donated funds for a lamp and Marcia Carlson donated monies for the purchase of a bench.

The most popular items to date have been "bricks." John K. Wortinger, Verna Vandercar, Polly Roberts, Terry & Connie Ruehl, Lorretta & Ron Brewer, W. Elden & Stephanie Hildebrandt, Don Heniff, Nell Fabish, Timothy Willison, Thomas and Linda Pancheri, Glenn Gintert, Sandra Morgan, Dawn Kierzek and Carolyn Lindahl have donated "bricks" in family members' names.

Tom & Mary Stuart, Patricia Callahan, Tom & Kathy Spencer, Dennis & Sandra Gilliam, Stanley Hurst, Snell Chevrolet and Sickinger's Jewelry donated funds to be used where they are most needed.

A vacuum cleaner was donated by Linda Clark and Donna Powers in memory of their mother Mildred Clark. Library staff members Maria Svorenick and Chris Straka each donated a tree in memory of a loved one.

Among items still remaining on the wish list are special chairs for the Children's Room, a Reading Tractor, a Puppet Theater, blackboards a large screen monitor for programs, and easels. Each item donated will have a plaque showing either the donor's name or the name of the person specified by the donor. People have been very enthusiastic about this opportunity to be a part of the new library. Although the objects will not be seen until the building opens sometime next year, the overwhelming response at the time will help us as we order the furnishings for the new building.

The library only hopes people will not be disappointed if the items they specified are gone. If that happens we will contact you for your second choice.

It's not too late! Here's what remains to be purchased:

BUSINESS'S FILL LIBRARY STOCKING TO PROMOTE READING

A Christmas drawing, was held December 19 at the library and its branches for library patrons (children and adults) who had entered the drawing by filling out a drawing slip for every 5 books they checked out. The contest began on the first day of December and all month long the slips filled the drawing box as more and more patrons entered.

Thanks to the generosity of our businesses there were plenty of prizes to hand out to our lucky drawing winners: turkeys and toy trucks, fishing lures and beauty care products. certificates for jewelry and haircuts, free lunches and dinners—and lots more.

Friends of the Library also donated over 50 paperback books for the drawing.

OUR THANKS TO:

Costas Foods
Harvey Mart
Radio Shack
Ruim Equipment
Dairy Queen
Dyer Auto Parts
Coast to Coast
Lowell Pizza Hut

Ada's Images
The Trophy Shop
Threads
Dante's
Hair Shack
Hairtenders
Uptown Stylist

Hardings, Inc. Floraland McDonalds Hardee's Subway Walgreens

Lowell Floral Shop Ribordy's Hallmark Lowell Sports and Gun Shop Sickinger's Jewelry Grandma's Restaurant John's This and That Shop Mid-Town True Value

Lowell Auto Supply
Mid-Town GardenCenter
George's Restaurant
Lowell Beauty College
Chris's Philip 66
Julie Duttlinger

HEBRON Morrow's Turkey Farm THAYER
Hanford Packing
Just Country Folk

SCHNEIDER

Nelson's Ceramic Shop Rusty Ranch Echo Pizza Studers

CASH RECEIPTS CONTINUE TO SUPPORT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Our thanks to Wilco Foods, Inc., for helping support library programs and services through its cash receipt program, and to our patrons who continue to donate their food receipts to the library.



AND THE WINNERS ARE:

Christmas came early for three area residents... one week early to be exact. On December 18, the Annual Quilt Drawing (sponsored by the Friends of the Lowell Public Library) was held in the library's main room.

Pat Dining, Secretary of the Lowell Chamber of Commerce drew the winning tickets. Susan Wyatt of Lake Dalcarlia won first prize of an antique quilt.

Patty Kalviatis of Lowell won second prize, a stunning, multi-colored quilted jacket sewn with the colored fabrics that are associated with the Christmas season. Third prize, also a beautiful multi-colored quilted jacket, was won by Joan Chismudy of Demotte.

The Friends of the Library would like to thank Harold Heuson for his donation of an antique quilt, and Mary K. Bruce and Georgette Bruce of the Library Quilters for their donation of the lovely jackets they had sewn and donated to the Friends to help raise funds for the library.

Thanks, also to Pat Dining for drawing the winning tickets and to INB of Lowell for their donation of raffle tickets for the drawing.





THANK YOU TO SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS

.... For sharing their wonderful storybooks with the children of the Tri-Creek area during special Storytimes held in December.

Thirty pairs of young eyes were riveted on Santa Claus when he appeared at the Schneider Branch Library on December 14. There he enthralled the children with his stories about Christmas and his life at the North Pole. Of course, they all wanted to know if Rudolph was ready for Christmas Eve and would his nose still light the way. When the Storytime was ended, Santa gave each child an autographed picture of himself to color, and some candy treats.

Shelby Branch youngsters received a rare visit from Mrs. Claus who brought her favorite counting book to share with the 26 toddlers attending with their parents. Her cheeks were rosy from the cold outside but soon she was warmed as she sat amongst the little children listening to her stories being read by Miss Chris, Children's Program Coordinator for the library.

The children asked about Santa, and Mrs. Claus told them that her husband was busy at his toy workshop up at the Pole and would be ready by Christmas Eve. She said that the reindeer were getting anxious as the time was drawing near for them to pull the sleigh and the elves were busy helping Santa fill his sack for the great journey that was to come.

Mrs. Claus gave each of the children brightly colored green and red popcorn balls tied with curled ribbons. She told the children she would be sure to give Santa their lists and wished them a Merry Christmas.

At the Lowell Public Library, on December 19, seventy-six children and parents were delighted, upon entering the Community Room, to find Santa Claus sitting in a rocking chair next to the Children's Christmas tree.

Santa had on his spectacles, and with storybook in hand, proceeded to entertain the children with the wondrous tale of "The Polar Express," a story for children and for those who remain children at heart. The story tells of a journey by Santa Claus to find the Christmas bell, a bell that still rings for all those who truly believe.

Next Santa brought out his Christmas pop-up books, filled with funfilled pages of Christmas figures that seemed to jump out at the youngsters. Lots of laughter could be heard as Santa lead the children in a rousing chorus of Jingle Bells. It is not widely known, but it is a fact that Santa has a wonderfully melodious voice just right for carolling.

Santa's knees really got a workout during Storytime. When the stories and singing were finished Santa gently lifted every child, in turn, on his knee and listened to each of their wishes for Christmas day.

Our warmest thanks to Santa's Helper Brian Mathias for helping to make Santa's visit possible and to library staff member Tammy Rankin for arranging Mrs. Clauss's visit.

LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY FURNISHINGS FUND DRIVE

I would like to contribute toward the following item(s) for the new Lowell Public Library. (All Gifts are tax deductible)

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



PLAC BEGINS JANUARY 2

Don't forget, beginning January 2, 1993, if you want to use a library outside Lake or Porter Counties, you will need to purchase a Public Library Access Card (PLAC) from the Lowell Pubic Library.

If you are a resident of the Tri-Creek area (Lowell, Shelby, Schneider, Lake Dale, Cedar Creek, Eagle Creek or West Creek
Townships) you will not have to pay to use the Lowell Library or the other libraries in Lake or Porter Counties.

THE FOCUS IS ON YOUNG ADULTS

A series of programs specially designed for middle school and high school young adults, will be held once a month at the Lowell Public Library beginning in January.

The first program of the series, to be held Jan. 13 at 3:30 PM., will be "Hair & Skin Care." Hair stylists Tammy Cole & Tammy Deardurff from Ada's Images will talk about hair care. Mary Kay Cosmetics representative Cathy White will talk about skin care and cosmetics.

Health & Fitness will be presented on February 10 at 3:30 PM., and a program on radio-controlled cars is planned for spring.

RINGING IN THE NEW YEAR NEW YEAR!

The library and its branches will be closed Thursday, December 31, and Friday, January 1, in observance of the New Year holiday. Regular hours will resume Saturday, January 2.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Jan 4, 11, 18, 25 LIBRARY QUILTERS MEET Each Monday 9:00 AM

Jan. 12

MAKING BOWS FOR GIFTS/CRAFTS
6:30 PM Jackie Madonia will teach particpants to make bows for gift wrapping or handicraft.

Jan. 14

<u>BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING</u>
9:00 AM-11:00 AM - Shelby
1:00 PM- 2:00 PM - Lowell

Jan. 13 - Young Adults <u>HAIR & SKIN CARE</u> 3:30 PM

Jan. 20
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEET
7:00 PM

Jan. 14
<u>LIVING TRUST</u>
1:00 PM How to avoid probate, reduce estate taxes, etc.

Jan. 25

MAKE A HEART BASKET

6:30 PM SHELBY BRANCH LIBRARY

Jan. 30

PATCH OF HISTORY

10:00 AM Carole Sutton will present an exciting "trunk show" that traces quilting history.

LIBRARY BOARD SCHEDULES MEETINGS

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on January 18 at 7:00 PM following a joint meeting with the library's Leasing Corporation at 6:30 PM.

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CRAFT CORNER

Even if the snow doesn't fall pre-school youngsters can still make a snowman at Craft Corner.

School age children will be thinking of spring when they create their own "Freddie the Frog."

CRAFT HOURS

Thurs., Jan. 7
Pre-school 10:00 AM
School age 3:30 PM

SHELBY Thurs., Jan. 21 Pre-school 3:30 PM

SCHNEIDER
Thurs., Jan. 14
Both Crafts 3:30 PM

Thurs., Jan. 28 School age 4:00 PM

STORYTIME BEGINS

A fun-filled time of stories, dances and songs awaits your child Storytime.

Storytime is a great way to help children ages 3 to 5 develop a love of reading and learn social skills by interacting with other children.

SHELBY

Each Monday, Jan. 4 - Feb. 8
9:30 AM

LOWELL

Each Tueday, Jan. 5 - Feb. 9 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM

Each Wednesday, Jan. 6 - Feb. 1: 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM

SCHNEIDER

Each Thursday, Jan. 7 - Feb. 11 9:30 AM