

## **Happy New Year 1999**

### **Friends Look Back**

As Frank Sinatra put it, "It Was A Very Good Year." Friends of the Library started 1998 off by donating \$1100 to the library for children's programming. The comfort bus ride to Navy Pier and the Midwest Flower Show came the week of the famous March blizzard. The bus trip proved to be a welcome respite from the troubles caused by the blizzard.

Other highlights of the year included the Friends Annual Rummage Sale, the member's picnic at the home of Tom & Kathy Spencer, the Children's Paperback Booksale, the Friends Labor Day Information Booth, a ghost hunting bus trip to Chicago, the Library Christmas Tree Trimming Party/Pot Luck Dinner, and a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry to see the Christmas Trees representing 40 countries.

The winner of the afghan drawing was Lowell resident Helen Primer. The afghan was handcrafted by Luetta House. Santa came to town and read stories to children at the Lowell Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches. Santa's travel arrangements were made by W. Brian Mathias.

Planning more bus trips, special events and fundraisers are the goals the Friends of the Library have set for themselves in 1999. Help support the library by becoming a Friends member. Enjoy social outings. Call Nell at 696-7704



### **Countdown to the Millennium**

### **Library 2000**

At the "Presidents Summit for America's Future" which convened in April of 1997, with President Clinton and former Presidents Bush, Reagan, Carter and Ford in attendance, a historic call was issued to "turn the tide for America's youth by the turn of the century." "As Americans and as Presidents, we ask every caring citizen to pledge individual commitments of citizen service, voluntary action, the efforts of their organizations, or commitments to individual children in need. By doing so this nation pledges the fulfillment of America's promise for every American child."

In the spirit of the summit's message, the Lowell Women's Club (as part of the General Federation of Women's Clubs' Library 2000 Project) recently announced that the organization will donate funds to the Lowell Public Library each month to encourage reading by young people and to help with their educational efforts.

Among the titles selected for purchase is *Science Project Ideas*, a series of six books that introduces young people to the workings of the natural world through simple science projects. Also purchased are the four-book series *American Civics*, an easy to read series that explains the fundamentals of the American government and *The Children's Book of America*, a celebration of stories, songs and poems designed for reading aloud.

### **Wilco Receipt Program**

As the Wilco Food Receipt Program comes to a close, the Friends of the Library would like to thank Wilco Foods for its support of the library. The fundraiser helped the friends provide many materials for the library including books, videos, furniture, office equipment, etc. Thanks also to the many library supporters who donated their food receipts to the Friends and to Friends member Richard Boer, who tabulated the receipts for refund.

Donations of food receipts dated before January 1, 1999 can still be turned in at the library before March 15.





## HAPPENINGS IN JANUARY

### Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

Each Monday: January 4, 11, 18, 25  
Bring your quilting project and questions  
to the Library Quilters.  
9 AM - 12:30 PM

### Fit Forever- Lowell

Each Monday: January 4, 11, 18, 25  
Each Wednesday: January 6, 13, 20, 27  
Each Friday: January 8, 15, 22, 29  
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM  
Join a fitness program that includes low impact  
aerobics as well as toning, strengthening, and flexibility  
exercises. Co-sponsored by the Lowell Parks  
Department, the program is led by Physical Fitness  
Instructor Sonia McPhillips. Fee is \$24 per month.

### Free Blood Pressure Screening

Lowell - Tuesday, January 12, 9 AM - 10:30 AM  
Shelby - Thursday, January 14, 9 AM - 10:30 AM  
Screening is conducted on a first come, first served  
basis by a technician of St. Anthony Medical Center.

### CPR "C" Course - Lowell

Tuesday, January 12, at 6 PM  
Register for the life-saving Adult/Child/Infant CPR  
(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) Course of the  
American Heart Association. Fee is \$12 for the  
general public and \$16 for health care professionals.

### The "Poetry Connection"

Each Wednesday, January 20 - March 10 at 7 PM.  
Published author Sharon Palmeri will teach an eight-  
week poetry and lyrics writing course that includes  
instruction and discussion of several types of poetry,  
and exercises in "word play," resulting in creation of  
poetry written by students. Tips on publishing and  
chapbooks will be discussed. Fee is \$35.

### Learn to Surf the Internet - Lowell

Individual training, by appointment, is available at the  
library. Register for a 90-minute training session on  
Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 9 AM until 3 PM  
and on selected Saturdays from 9 AM until 5 PM.

### Pre-register for programs:

Lowell 696-7704

Schneider 552-1000

Shelby 552-0809

## Free Childhood Immunizations

### Cedar Lake Clinic

Thursday, January 7, 12 Noon to 6 PM

### Schneider Branch Library

Thursday, January 21, 12 Noon to 6 PM

Sponsored by St. Anthony Medical Center

### Lowell Public Library

Thursday, January 21, 9 AM to 3 PM

Sponsored by the Lake County Health Department

Please bring your child's immunization records.

## Coming in February

Preparation for the S.A.T., an eight-week course,  
begins on February 1. Fee is \$70.

Beginning the first week in February Tax-Aid will be  
held each Friday, 9 AM to 1 PM and each Saturday,  
afternoon, time to be announced.

## Meetings

The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library  
Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, January 18,  
at 7 PM.

The Friends of the Library will hold their regular  
meeting on Wednesday, January 20, at 7 PM.

## Holiday Closing

The Lowell Public Library will be open on New  
Year's Eve, December 31, from 9 AM to 12 noon.  
The library will be closed on Friday, January 1, 1999,  
in observance of the New Year holiday.

The Shelby and Schneider Branches will be closed  
Thursday, December 31, and Friday, January 1, 1999 in  
observance of the New Year holiday. The library and  
its branches will resume regular hours on Saturday,  
January 2.

## New Video Arrivals

Check out these new videos arrivals including: *Dark  
City, Species II, Switchback, Hard Rain, Godzilla,  
Phantoms, Jackie Brown, The Man in the Iron Mask,  
Gattaca, Suicide Kings, Armageddon, He Got Game,  
The Boxer, Shadow Builder, Fallen, Desperate  
Measures, The Newton Boys, and Primary Colors.*

**Happy New Year!!!**



## Music on the Minds of Young Adults

At the fall meeting of the YALAB (Young Adult Library Advisory Board) members had the pleasure of selecting up to \$300 in CD's for the library. The board had raised the money at their fall clothing sale and designated that it be used for CD's. The compact discs are now located in the Young Adult section of the library. There is a variety of musical tastes represented on the board as can be seen by the variety of music selected.

Among the selections chosen were the *Docotor Dolittle Sountrack*, *Yourself or Someone Like You* by Matchbox 20, *Step Up to the Microphone* and *Not Ashamed* by the Newsboys, *Out of Body* by Smash Mouth, *Scream 2 Soundtrack*, and *Come On Over* by Shania Twain.

CD's with the same title as the musical group include *WWJD*, *Voices of Theory*, *N Sync*, *Goo Goo Dolls* and *DC Talk*.

The YALAB consists of young adults in grades 6-12. If you are interested in joining to help with planning programs, fundraising and sharing support of the library, give your name, address and grade in school to the staff at the circulation desk and you will be notified about the next up-comming YALAB meeting.

## Brill's Content ?

The Lowell Public Library has recently increased the number of magazine subscriptions it receives. *Premiere*, *Yahoo!* *Internet Life*, *Beckett's Baseball Cards*, and *Christianity Today* are just a few of the new titles.

Also new on the shelf is *Brill's Content*, a magazine of comment. There are many periodicals that view the political and social scene, but what makes *Brill's* unique is that it covers the news media that covers everything else. *Brill's* investigative articles examine the role of the press in society and many times find its methods and ethics wanting.

In its very first issue earlier this year, *Brill's Content* made headlines and set news pundits choosing up sides. A hard-hitting article questioned Special Prosecutor Kenneth Starr's relationship with some reporters.

In a recent issue, *Brill's* looked at twenty television stories on dangerous consumer products from shows such as *20/20* and *48 Hours* and found that only about 50% were justified. The other half were a mixture of hype and distorted facts.

The current issue carries a cover story on how the giant Disney Corporation uses and manipulates the media. Provoke your thoughts with *Brill's Content* at the Lowell Public Library.

## Paperbacks on Parade



Look for the latest additions to the paperback collection located on the new books display including:

- \**Killer Market*-Margaret Maron
- \**The Family Tree*-Sheri S. Tepper
- \**Flash Factor*-William H. Lovejoy
- \**Settler's Law*-D.H. Eraldi
- \**Ordeal*-William W. Johnstone
- \**All I Desire*-Rosemary Rogers
- \**Sweet Anger*-Sandra Brown
- \**My Darling Caroline*-Adele Ashworth
- \**Last Chance*-Dee Marvinne
- \**Senatorial Privilege*-E.J. Gorman

## Young Adult Cooking Course

with

Chef Vicki

of Nellie Jayne's Cafe

YA's grades 6 - 12, will make pizza, spritzer, & brownies

Saturday, January 16

11 AM

Lowell Public Library

Fee is \$8

Enjoy the food feast  
you have created

Pre-register at 696-7704



## Story Time Begins

At this six-week program for children ages 3 to 5, Children's Programmer Miss Chris will read stories from brightly colored picture books.

Children will learn songs and finger games too!  
Register now! Class size is limited.

**Shelby - 9:30 AM**

**Each Monday, January 4 - February 8**

**Lowell - 10 AM or 1:30 PM**

**Each Tuesday, January 5 - February 9**

**Each Wednesday, January 6 - February 10**

**Schneider - 9:30 AM**

**Each Thursday, January 7 - February 11**

## Winter Craft Corner



**Lowell**

**Pre-school - Thursday, January, 7, at 10 AM**

**School Age - Thursday, January, 7 at 3:30 PM**

**Schneider**

**Both Craft Hours - January 14, at 3:30 PM**

**Shelby**

**Pre-school - Thursday, January 21, at 3:30 PM**

**School age - Thursday, January 28, at 3:30 PM**

**Pre-register for programs: Lowell 696-7704 Shelby 552-0809 Schneider 552-1000**

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