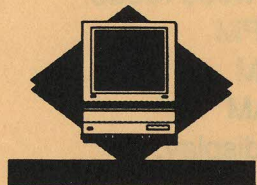


# Lowell Library Lines

MARCH 2001



## Schneider Branch Goes Hi-Tech

New computer keys will soon be clicking away at the Schneider Branch Library now that a \$11,258.00 grant has been awarded to the Lowell Public Library to provide updated computer equipment for the satellite branch.

Awarded to the library by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the purpose of the grant is to "help bridge the digital divide." The grant includes two Gates Library Computers and a HP4050TN laser printer.

The Schneider Branch, located in the Schneider Community Building, was opened in 1988. In addition to its collection of fiction and non-fiction books, paperbacks, books-on-tape, magazines, newspapers, videos, and CD's, the public will now have two public work stations with computers that have Encarta Encyclopedia 2001, Streets and Trips 2001, Word 2000, Access 2000, Excel 2000, PowerPoint 2000, Front Page 2000 and many other programs. For children there are over 20 programs for educational and recreational use.

## Humanities Grant Received

The Millennium Project for Public Libraries, a partnership of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Library of America and the American Library Association, recently announced that the Lowell Public Library is a recipient of an grant for literature.

Helping to enrich the library's collection of American literature and history, the grant will provide 50 Library of America volumes published between 1992 and 2000.

The grant is funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York. The 50-volume Millennium Project is valued at approximately \$1,795.00

Under the rules of the grant each library selected to participate in the project must also fund \$250 of the total cost.

The Friends of the Lowell Public Library supported the project by providing the additional funds required by the grant.



## Out of Africa

An exhibit of African arts and crafts from Central and East Africa will be on display in the library foyer beginning March 5.

Melanie Bielefeld first went to Africa for one year as a Fulbright scholar at Sokoine University in Morogoro, Tanzania. She has returned to Africa at least 10 times in her work as a coordinator of Women & Children's Health for a U.S. Aid agency.

The exhibit will contain masks, jewelry, dolls, doll furniture, carved and woven items, etc., each labeled with the country of its origin.





# Adult Programs

## Weave a Cabin Boy/Girl basket - Shelby

Thursday, March 1, at 6 PM &

Tuesday, March 6, at 9 AM

Master Basket Weaver Julie Duttlinger will teach participants to make a Cabin Boy/Girl basket. Fee is \$24.

## Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

Each Monday: March 5, 12, 19, 26

9 AM - 12:30 PM

## Blood Pressure Screening

Shelby - Thursday, March 8, at 10:30 AM  
Screening is offered as a service of House-Calls.

Lowell - Tuesday, March 20, 1 PM - 4 PM

Screening is conducted by technicians of CareGivers Plus. Screening is conducted on a first come/first served basis.

## Mid-West Writers' Forum - Lowell

Thursdays, March 8 & 22, at 7 PM.

Have you written a novel, poetry, short stories? Join the Mid-West Writers' Forum sponsored by the library and share your writings with other members.

## Gypsy Moth Threat - Lowell

Wednesday, March 14, at 7 p.m.

Recent information from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources indicates that the DNR will probably treat an area of about 11/2 square miles near Cedar Lake this summer to prevent the spread of the Gypsy Moth.

This insect can do serious damage to trees. Learn from Purdue Entomologist, Dr. Cliff Sadof, the life cycle of this pest and methods used to control it.

## Weave a "Biscuit" Basket - Lowell

Join Master Weaver Julie Duttlinger to create a Biscuit basket using wood reeds.

Thursday, March 15, at 6:30 PM

Monday, March 19, at 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 20, at 8:30 AM

Fee is \$24. The basket is on display.

## Water Ponds - Lowell

Monday, March 26, promptly at 7 PM.

Among the topics to be discussed are: designing a water garden just right for your space, style, and needs...formal or informal; planting in and surrounding your water pond; creating fountains, waterfalls, and wildlife pools; and introducing aquatic life.

## Dealing With Grief - Lowell

Tuesday, March 27, at 7 PM

Pastoral Care Minister Barbara Badanish and Social Worker Linda McGrath, of St. Anthony Hospice, will talk on the reality of what has happened in your life and share suggestions for coping and healing.

## Book Discussion

Enjoy a lively discussion of Erma Bombeck's *All I Know About Animal Behavior I Learned in Loehmann's Dressing Room*. Pick a discussion group that is convenient for you. Come on Thursday, March 15, at 7 PM or on Friday March 16, at 10 AM. Refreshments will be served. Call 696-7704 to register.

## Free Childhood Immunizations

The Lake County Health Department will offer free childhood immunizations at the Lowell Public Library on Thursday, March 15, from 9 AM to 3 PM. The free service is offered by the Lake County Health Department. Please bring your child's immunization record.





## Young Adults Create an Acrylic Painting

(for ages 12 & up)

Saturday,

March 17

9 AM - 12 Noon

Fee is \$10

Taught by Artist

Daylene Richmond Wiley

Bring red, yellow, blue, white, black and green acrylic paint. "Plaid brand nylon brushes (a pack of flat and a pack of round). Ask where you can purchase these supplies at the circulation desk.

## Tax Filing Assistance Still Available

Volunteers of the AARP are helping area residents with their tax filing at the library and its branches. Call the library at 696-7704 to schedule an appointment. At the Schneider Branch call 552-1000. For tax filing assistance at the Shelby Branch call 552-0809.

## Pre-school & School Age Gymnastics

The bars, balance beam, vault, tumbling, and pommel horse as well as hand-eye activities & stunts, calisthenics & stretch-ing exercises are taught at Tumble Bears, a gymnastic program sponsored by the Lowell Parks Department in cooperation with the library.

Call the Parks Department at 696-1570 for information or to register your child.

## Meetings

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on Monday, March 19, at 7 PM.

The Friends of the Library will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 21, at 7 PM.



## Reserve Your Seat for the Garden Show

There are still spaces available for the 2001 Chicago Flower & Garden Show at Navy Pier. Board a comfort bus at the library on Sunday, March 11, at 9 AM for your trip to Chicago. Bus fee is \$16 (non-refundable and includes a donation to the Friends). An information sheet is available at the circulation desk.

## Blood Drive

Give the gift of life on Saturday, March 31, at the library from 10 AM - 4 PM. Call the American Red Cross at 1-800-GiveLife to schedule your donation.

## Upcoming Programs

**Quilts of the 30's: Women of the Times**, will be presented by Quilt Artist, Lecturer and Historian Carole Sutton. Originally scheduled for March 1, the program will be held on **Tuesday, April 3**, at 7 PM. A series of other quilting programs, offering a wide variety of topics and stories, will be offered by Carole in the fall.

### **Creative Writing Course**

Each Monday for six weeks beginning April 9. Taught by published author Sharon Palmeri

Watch for the **Puppet Show** and **A Visit with Pricilla** the baby pig, during National Library Week, April 1-7.





**Shamrock  
Craft Corner**

There's a touch of the Irish at Craft Corner for pre-schoolers and school age children.

Pre-schoolers will create a "Shamrock Mouse." School age children will make a "Shamrock Pin".

**Craft Corner hours are:**

**Lowell** Thursday, March 8  
Both crafts - 3:30 PM

**Shelby** - Wednesday, March 14  
Both Crafts - 3:30 PM

**Schneider** - Thursday, March 15  
Both Crafts - 3:30 PM



**Story Time  
Adventures**

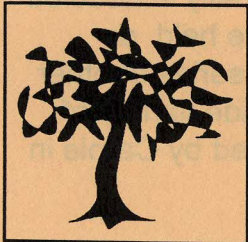
Children, ages 3 to 5 years old, can spend an hour each week with Miss Heidi as she introduces them to picture books and easy readers at Story Time. They will also enjoy learning a finger-play game and a song together. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to make friends and enjoy choosing their own books to check out from the library.

**Shelby** - Each Monday at 9:30 AM  
March 26 - April 30

**Lowell** - Each Tuesday at 10 AM & 1:30 PM  
March 27 - May 1  
Each Wednesday at 10 AM  
March 28 - May 2

**Schneider** - Each Thursday, at 9:30 AM  
March 29 - May 3

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



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