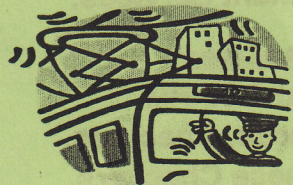


# Lowell Library Lines

## March 2005



### **All Aboard! Chicago Flower & Garden Show**

Get your comfort bus ticket to the Chicago Flower & Garden Show at Navy Pier. Leave winter behind; reserve your bus seat at the library for Sunday, March 13.

At the show you will view 25 stunning gardens and enjoy the show's other features plus the attractions at Navy Pier. A trip information sheet is available at the circulation desk.

The trip, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is \$18. Admission to the show is paid at the door.

### **Kankakee River Author has Tales to Tell**

Lowell Town Historian Richard C. Schmal, author of *Tales of the People and Places of the Olde Kankakee River*, will visit the library on Thursday, March 17, from 6:30 PM 8 PM to introduce readers to the book. He will welcome questions about local Indiana history in the library's main room.

His book, arranged, compiled and presented by the Kankakee Valley Historical Society, Inc., consists of many of the articles that Schmal wrote for the Pioneer History column for the Lowell Tribune newspaper.

His local history articles can also be found on the Internet at: <http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/ltschmal.htm>.

*Tales of the People and Places of the Olde Kankakee* will be available for purchase during Mr. Schmal's visit.

### **Pisanki Egg Fundraiser**

Among the forsythia and pussy willows gracing the circulation desk are 13 beautifully hand-crafted Pisanki eggs, their floral and geometric designs delicately etched by artist Ted Sumara.

Bring a centuries-old European tradition into your home for the Easter holiday. Pisanki eggs will be raffled off to 13 winners at the library on Thursday, March 24, at 7 PM as a Friends of the Library fundraiser to raise monies to benefit library programming.

The word Pisanki is a plural of Pisanka which refers to written eggs and is derived from ancient times when eggs were thought to be the symbol of life. Gifted with magical properties, the eggs were believed to have the power to give good health and a plentiful harvest. Sumara, who has taught at the Children's Museum in Indianapolis and the Forever Learning Institute in South Bend, has fostered the art of creating Pisanki eggs for over 50 years.

**@ the Library**

Register now for the free computer classes at the library and its branches.

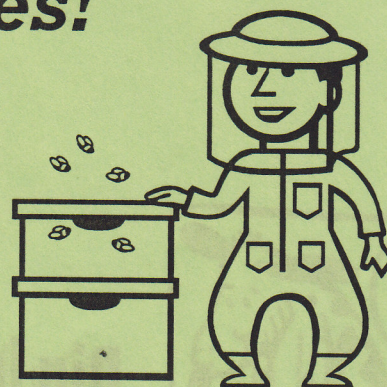
Learn to surf the Internet and to do word processing. Day, evening and Saturday classes are available.



# ***All A Buzz About Bees!***

Join the Northwest Indiana Beekeepers on Wednesday, March 30, to learn all about bees and beekeeping.

- Learn how to make beeswax candles,
- Enjoy free taste samples of local honey,
- Try on bee keeper's suit & hat.
- See equipment used to raise honey bees.
- Have some refreshments.
- Look for the March Beekeeper display in the foyer.



Beekeeper members will discuss:

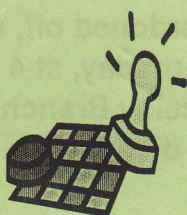
- Basic bee keeping techniques.
- How to get started in bees.

## **YA Programs**

**Feature Flick** YAs, grades 4-12, can bring a pillow and blanket and take in the flick *Sleepover* Thursday, March 3, at 5 PM. Bring a friend! The concession stand is open.

**"One-Stroke" Painting Classes** will be held on Saturday, March 5, 9 AM - 12 Noon. Create a "Spring Teacup" project. Fee is \$12. On Saturday, March 19, 9 AM - 12 Noon, paint an "Easter" project. Fee is \$5. Fees are due upon registration. Pick up an information sheet on these projects at the desk.

**Chess Club** for YAs, grades 5-12, each Thursday at 6 PM. Pre-register.



## **Connect @ the Library**

Lowell Public Library:

<http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us>

## **Tax Filing Help**

Sign up at the library or its Shelby and Schneider Branches for a free tax filing help with tax trained volunteers of the AARP Retired Service Volunteer Program. Inquire at the circulation desk or call the library at 696-7704.

## **Spring S.A.T Course**

A 6-week course to prepare high school students for taking both the verbal and the math sections of the S.A.T. will be held each Wednesday for six weeks, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and April 20 and 27.

S.A.T instructor Gloria Vela will introduce students to effective test taking and time management strategies, review vocabulary words used in the verbal section of the S.A.T.

Vela will also review math concepts and traps in addition to focusing on the math formulas for taking the S.A.T.

Fee for the course instruction is \$110. The book for the course is \$32. A deposit of \$50 is due upon registration.

## **CPR Renewal Course**

A CPR Health Care Renewal Course will be offered at the library on Tuesday, March 15, at 6:30 PM.

Fee for the American Heart Association class is \$30 due upon registration.







## Adult Programs

### **Library Quilters Meet - Lowell**

Each Monday, March 7, 14, 21, 28  
9 AM - 12:30 PM

Bring your quilting projects and learn from other quilters.

### **Scrapbook Your Memories - Lowell**

Monday, March 7, at 6 PM

Make Paper Chain Borders for your scrapbook pages. We're celebrating the 1st anniversary of the Library Scrappers, a twice monthly program that teaches you new scrapbooking techniques. Cake and coffee will be served.

Monday March 21, at 6 PM

Use envelopes to enhance your scrapbook album. Bring scissors, pens, photos, current projects and adhesives.

### **Book Discussion Group - Shelby**

Tuesday, March 8, at 5:30 PM

Join a lively discussion of *On the Street Where You Live* by best selling novelist Mary Higgins Clark. Refreshments will be served.

### **Basket Classes - Lowell**

Thursday, March 10 at 6 PM or

Thursday March 17, at 6 PM.

Come to the popular basket classes at the library. Weave a "Spring Candy" basket with Master Basket Weaver Julie Duttlinger. Fee is \$22.

Please bring a plastic bucket, scissors, pencil, tape measure, clothespins, towel and plastic bag to basket workshops.

### **Blood Pressure Screening - Shelby**

Monday, March 14, 10:30 AM to 12 Noon.

Take care of your health. Blood Pressure Screening is offered by medical technicians on a first come/first served basis.

### **Blood Pressure/Sugar Test - Lowell**

Wednesday, March 16, 9 AM to 11 AM  
Blood pressure and sugar (glucose) screening is offered by technicians of the Clinical Management Services.

### **Game Day - Schneider**

Monday, March 21, at 2:30 PM

Games including Chess, Checkers, UNO, Dominos, Chinese Checkers, SkipBo and a variety of dice games will be available at the gathering. Snacks too!

### **Acrylic Painting Class - Lowell**

Monday March 21, at 6 PM or  
Tuesday, March 29 at 9:30 AM

Recreate the lovely painting on exhibit at the circulation desk while learning the techniques of acrylic painting from artist Pat Mahns. Fee is \$13 due upon registration. All supplies are provided.

### **Enjoy Crochet - Lowell**

Monday, March 21, at 6:30 PM

Bring your crochet projects to the library.

## Senior Showtime

A dose of laughter will chase away the winter blues. Join other seniors to enjoy the highly rated comedy *Second-Hand Lions* on Thursday, March 17, at 11 AM. Enjoy our free concession stand.

## 2005 Garden Series

### **Landscaping**

Melissa Mravec will present the basics of landscape design and plan development that will allow participants to nurture their dreams and ideas into an actual plan that can be implemented and realized.

Come to the garden program on Monday, March 21, at 7 PM. Handouts are available.





## Dig Into a Good Book!

# At the Branches

### Schneider Branch

#### Kids' Craft:

Kids of all ages are invited to make a St. Patrick's Day Craft on Thursday, March 10, at 3:30 PM.

#### Scrapbooking:

Saturday, March 19, at 10:30 AM you're invited to join the Schneider Scrappers! Participants ages 10 and older can learn new scrapbooking techniques.



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### Shelby Branch

#### Feature Flicks:

Adventure or comedy, there is always an exciting kids' movie shown each Saturday at 12 Noon. Get your free ticket, punch and popcorn at the Shelby Branch.

#### Kids' Game Night:

Cordoned off, no adults allowed! Each Thursday, at 4 PM reserve a spot at the Shelby Branch Library to play board, card or dice games.

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