



Lowell Library Lines

May 2012

Events This Month

Welcome Our New Director!

We are pleased to announce that Eugene Pidzarko, formerly Digital Projects Librarian for Purdue University Calumet is the new Director of the Lowell Public Library.

Mr. Pidzarko, who received his Master's of Library Science degree from Indiana University, Bloomington, also has an extensive background in computers, finance and education. He has served as Director of Information Technology for the Hammond Clinic in Munster; Information Systems Manager for Calumet Construction in Hammond; Network and Contracts and Grants Administrator for the Accounting Department of the University of California, Irvine. He was also a mathematics instructor at Indiana University, Illinois State University, and philosophy of science at the University of Maryland.

Mr. Pidzarko's love of libraries began in his youth and finally culminated in his pursuing a career in librarianship. "I had heard good things about the Library in Lowell. It is obvious that this community supports and takes pride in its unique Library. I look forward to working here."

Library Tours

Want to know what you may be missing? New to the library? Then this tour is for you!

Find out what materials, services, and programs your library has to offer. *The May library tours will be on Monday, May 21, at 11 AM and 4 PM.*

Lowell Public Library
1505 East Commercial
Lowell, IN 46356
phone 696-7704
fax 696-5280
www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9 AM - 8 PM
Fri - Sat. 9 AM - 5 PM

Schneider Branch
24002 Parrish Ave.
Schneider, IN 46376
552-1000

Schneider Winter Hours

Mon-Thurs. 3:30-7 PM
Fri. CLOSED
Sat. 10 AM-12 NOON

Shelby Branch
23323 Shelby Rd
Shelby, IN 46377
552-0809

Shelby Winter Hours

Mon. 9 AM-12 & 1-6 PM
Tues-Thurs. 3 PM-7 PM
Fri. CLOSED
Sat. 9 AM-2 PM

Postcard History

Postcards are the third largest collectible in the world. Some are collected out of nostalgia, to remember a certain time or place. Historians use them to interpret the history of a town or place, and some genealogists use them to help document family histories. For some, postcard collecting is all about the thrill of the hunt, whether it is the perfect one or as many as possible.

Harley Sheets, vice-president of the Indianapolis Postcard Club will discuss the history and collecting of postcards on Saturday, May 26, at 11:30 AM.

Antique Appraisals

Karl Gates, a licensed appraiser with over thirty years experience, will discuss issues relating to antiques and collectibles on Saturday, May 12, at 11 AM. Items will be presented to the audience along with background information and appraisals.

Mr. Gates will appraise up to sixty items. Tickets for appraisals are now available at the circulation desk, \$5.00 each, limit ONE appraisal per person. NO WEAPONS, COINS OR STAMPS please! Deadline for registration is May 5 or when the 60th ticket is sold.

If not bringing an item, there is no cost to attend this program. Space is limited, please register at the circulation desk.

Lowell Adult Programs

Free Computer Classes

Free Computer Basics are offered on Mondays; Internet Basics on Wednesdays; and Word or Excel on Fridays at 11 AM. Evening classes are held each Tuesday at 6 PM. Pre-register.

Knit/Crochet/Cross Stitch

Tuesday, May 1 and 15, at 6 PM.
Learn to knit, crochet, and cross stitch on the first and third Tuesdays each month.

Stamping and Card Making

Thursday, May 3, at 6:15 PM.
Create 1-2 handmade items! Bring scissors. A \$5 fee will cover all other materials needed for the projects, including adhesive. Pre-register.

Recipe Club

Friday, May 4, at 11 AM.
Do you enjoy trying new recipes? Join our recipe club! Make a dessert and share your recipes with the others and then decide on the topic for next month. Any questions, or to sign up, call the library.

Library Quilters Meet

Monday, May 7, 14, and 21, at 9 AM.
Learn to quilt! Share your knowledge, work on your projects, and have fun!

Digital Photography Club

Wednesday, May 9 and 23, at 6 PM.
Learn what's new in digital and how to take better pictures. The second meeting each month will focus on specific techniques. All are welcome to attend!

Adult Book Discussion

Monday, May 14, 1-3 PM.
Read and discuss the book *Postmistress* by Sarah Blake.

Blood Pressure/Glucose Testing

Wednesday, May 16, 9-11 AM.
Free blood pressure and glucose screenings are offered by Clinical Management Services of Demotte.

Poetry Group Meets

Saturday, May 19, 10 AM-1 PM.
Aspiring poets can join the NW Indiana Poetry Society and share their works with the rest of the group.

Garden Series - Garden Exchange

Monday, May 21, at 6 PM.
Pot up your divisions and cuttings and bring whatever else you have— garden décor items, gardening books, hand tools, etc. to trade with other garden enthusiasts. For more information or to pre-register, call the library at 696-7704.

Library Board Meets

The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, May 21, at 7 PM.

Senior Social

Tuesday, May 22, at 12 PM.
Enjoy the smooth sound of the talented Lowell High School Jazz Band. Bring a brown bag lunch. We'll provide an ice cream sundae bar. Co-sponsored by the Lowell Public Library and the Lowell Parks Department. Call the Parks Department at 696-1570 to register.



Holiday Closing

The Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches will be closed on Monday, May 28, for observance of Memorial Day.

Did you know...

that you can help the library when you shop with Amazon? Click on the link on our library homepage (www.lowellpl.lib.in.us), and the library will receive a percentage of your purchase. *While you're shopping, search "Wish Lists" for the Lowell Public Library Wish List.* Select an item from our list and click "purchase." Your donation will be shipped directly to us!

Just a Few Notes....

Photographs

We often take photographs at library events. These pictures are used for publicizing the library and its programs. If you do not wish to be photographed, please let us know.

Thumbs Up? Thumbs Down?

Did you like the book you just read? Or, is this a book you would not recommend to others? *Share your views with us and fellow readers and enter the monthly drawing for a free gift certificate!* The cards are located at the circulation desk.

Young Adult Programs (Grades 6-12)

Lowell

Acoustic Jam Nights

Every Thursday in May at 6 PM.
Bring your acoustic guitar and jam with other musicians.

Shelby

Call 552-0809 for program information.

Schneider

Wednesday, May 2, at 4 PM.
Make Mothers Day gifts.

Wednesday, May 9, at 4 PM.
Play bean bags.

All Ages Manicures - Lowell

Get your nails done for Mother's Day on Saturday, May 12, 10 AM - 3 PM. While you are there, "guess how many" are in the jar and you may win! All ages are welcome.

Mother's Day Basket Giveaway - Lowell

Enter your name for a chance to win a Mother's Day gift basket to give to someone special!

Shelby Branch

Shelby Adults

Bingo for Seniors

Monday, May 21, at 3:30 PM.
Seniors get together for a friendly game of bingo.

Shelby Kids

Kids Craft

Wednesday, May 16, at 4 PM.
Make a Mother's Day gift for someone special.

Wii Tournament

Saturday, May 19, at 10:30 AM.
Join our tournament! Free snacks will be supplied.

Wednesdays at 4 PM - Kids Game Night!

Saturdays at 12 PM - Kids Movies!

Schneider Branch

Schneider Adults

Adult Scrapbooking

Saturday, May 12, 10 AM-10 PM.
Come to our twelve-hour scrapbooking party!

Craft Time

Monday, May 21, at 4 PM.
Bring a craft to work on or learn a new one.

Schneider Kids

Craft Day

Monday, May 7, at 4 PM.
Mother's Day gift making.

Game Day

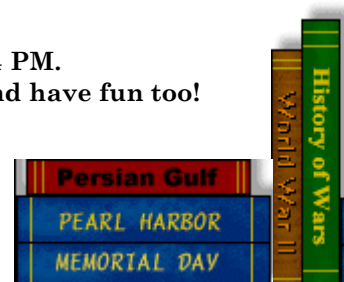
Thursday, May 3 and 24, at 4 PM.
Kids play games for fun and prizes.

Bean Bags

Monday, May 14, at 4 PM.
Get some exercise and have fun too!



Read, Learn, and Remember



New Fiction Books:

Beginner's Goodbye - Tyler, Anne
The Book of Madness and Cures - O'Melveny, Regina
Born to Darkness - Brockmann, Suzanne
By Blood - Ullman, Ellen
Calico Joe - Grisham, John
Come Home - Scottoline, Lisa
Fall From Grace - Patterson, Richard North
The Gilly Salt Sisters - Baker, Tiffany
Guilty Wives - Patterson, James
Joe Golem and the Drowning City - Mignola, Mike
Lost Years - Clark, Mary Higgins
Love Blooms in Winter - Copeland, Lori
Mudwoman - Oates, Joyce Carol
The Professionals - Laukkanen, Owen
Secrets of the Fire Sea - Hunt, Stephen
The Shoemaker's Wife - Trigiani, Adriana

New Mystery Books:

Beastly Things - Leon, Donna
Big Cat Nap - Brown, Rita Mae
Cat's Claw - Albert, Susan Wittig
Death of a Kingfisher - Beaton, M.C.
Dorchester Terrace - Perry, Anne
Force of Nature - Box, C.J.
Gypped - Clark, Carol Higgins
The Limpopo Academy of Private Detection - McCall Smith, Alexander
So Pretty It Hurts - White, Kate
Stay Close - Coben, Harlan

New Non-Fiction Books:

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Web Design - Huddleston, Rob
006.78
Wordpress Web Design for Dummies
248.4
One Perfect Word - Macomber, Debbie
332.6322
The 100 Best Stocks You Can Buy
332.7
Reckless Endangerment - Morgenson, Gretchen
378.1662
The Official Study Guide for All SAT Subject Tests
391.65
Tattoo - Brousseau, Marcel
395.0207
Would It Kill You to Stop Doing That? - Alford, Henry
595.789
Butterflies of North America - Glassberg, Jeffery
613.2
Coffee is Good for You - Davis, Robert J.
635
Gardening Shortcuts - Hendy, Jenny
741.64
500 Years of Illustration - Simon, Howard
782.42
My Friend Michael - Cascio, Frank
787.87
The Rough Guide to Guitar - Hunter, Dave
792.02
The Actor Within - Eichenbaum, Rose
917.29604
Foder's Bahamas Plus Turks & Caicos 2012
New Biography Books:
B ALFORD
Once Upon a Secret - Alford, Mimi
B WINDSO
That Woman - Sebba, Anne

New on DVD:

The Beaver

The Biggest Loser "The Workout" Calorie Knockout

Cave of Forgotten Dreams

The Descendants

Dexter: Seasons 1-5

Fright Night

The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo

Martha Marcy May Marlene

My Week With Marilyn

Stephen King's Bag of Bones

Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy

A Warrior's Heart

We Bought A Zoo

New Children's Titles on DVD:

The Adventures of TinTin

Alvin and the Chipmunks : Chipwrecked
The Muppets

Animals 123's

Animals ABC's

Veggie Tales: Robin Good and His Not-So-Merry Men

Freegal Free Music Downloads

Freegal is a downloadable music service available from the library. The Freegal site offers thousands of artists, tens of thousands of albums, and hundreds of thousands of songs. The content is based upon a license with Sony Music Entertainment, owner of fifty-four different music labels. You can read more about Sony and its artists at www.sonymusic.com.

Getting started is easy! Sign up for your free Freegal account by filling out a registration form at the circulation desk. You will receive a confirmation message along with the link to the Freegal website in your email.

New Books on CD:

The Dovekeepers - Hoffman, Alice

In the Company of Others - Karon, Jan

In the Garden of Beasts - Larson, Erik

The Jefferson Key - Berry, Steve

The Language of Flowers - Diffenbaugh, Vanessa

The Lucky Ones - Sparks, Nicholas

A Prairie Home Companion: Summer Love - Keillor, Garrison

Red Mist - Cornwell, Patricia

Sleepwalker - Robards, Karen

Tom Clancy Presents Act of Valor - Clancy, Tom

V is For Vengeance - Grafton, Sue

New Juvenile Books on CD:

Ella Fitzgerald: The Tale of a Vocal Virtuosa - Pinkney, Andrea Davis

The Little Prince - De Saint-Exupery, Antonine

Magic at the Bed & Bisquit - Carris, Jean

Pie - Weeks, Sarah

Rip Van Winkle and the Legend of Sleepy Hollow - Irving, Washington

So You Want to Be President - Small, David and St. George, Judith

New Music Cds:

The Band Perry - The Band Perry

Ceremonials - Florence & The Machine

Hand All Over - Maroon 5

Here and Now - Nickleback

It's All Good - Joe Nichols

Now That's What I Call Music! 40

Proud To Be Here - Trace Adkins

Just for Kids (Preschool through the fifth grade)

Story Time Continues

Story Time is a FREE program for four and five year old children. Each session lasts approximately thirty to forty-five minutes. Parents must stay in the library, however, not in the program room.

Space is limited to twenty children. Please pre-register for either the Tuesday (May 1 and 8) or the Wednesday (May 2 and 9) session, held at 10 AM.

Craft Corner

Come to the library on Thursday, May 10, at either 10 AM or 3 PM when we will be making a spring-time card to give to someone special. A sample is on display in the Children's craft case.

Pre-register for either session. Children preschool age through the fifth grade are welcome to attend this FREE program. Preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult.

Bookwalk

Come to the Lowell Public Library on Thursday, May 17, and go on a bookwalk! You can win books for your home library! Children preschool age through the fifth grade are welcome to attend. There are two sessions: 10 AM and 3 PM.

Pre-register at the circulation desk!



Children's Art Exhibit

A special exhibit of artwork created by children of Tri-Creek elementary schools, grades K-5 will be held at the Lowell Public Library, May 14-19. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lowell Public Library, over 400 works of art are expected for the exhibit and will be displayed throughout the library.

On Wednesday, May 16, at 6:30 PM, the Friends will hold a reception for the young artists and their family members. Students will be recognized for their efforts with certificates of achievement. At the event Friends members will serve cake, punch and coffee. There will be a drawing for art supplies open to all children attending.



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