

# LOWELL LIBRARY LINES

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## STUDENT ART EXHIBIT

Perhaps great artists such as Andrew Wyeth, Norman Rockwell, Fredrick Remington or Georgia O'Keefe developed the artistic talents they possessed because as children they were encouraged to express their feelings and imagination through art. And perhaps they were able, at a young age, to display their creations and receive praise for their achievement.

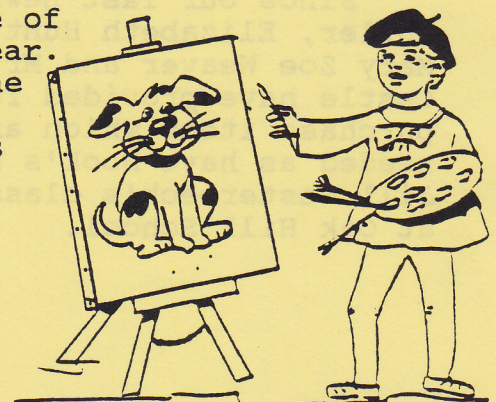
Most children derive satisfaction and enjoyment from artistic expression. Whether they are making self-portraits, cutting or folding paper, drawing, painting, molding, or applying one of the other rich variety of art forms that are available to them creating art provides a healthy and important learning experience that can benefit children in future years. They may not become famous artists but the rewards they have gained through free expression are many-fold. Self-confidence, patience, self-motivation, and pride in accomplishment are just a few of the positive rewards a child can receive through the creative process.

One of the objectives of the Friends of the Lowell Public Library is to provide a framework for area children to exhibit and receive recognition for their artistic creations. The Friends extend an invitation to all community residents to visit the 13th Annual Student Art Exhibit, held in the main room of the library May 17-22. Students from Kindergarten through fifth grade from Three-Creeks, Lake Prairie, Oak Hill, and St. Edward's Elementary Schools will be exhibiting their creativity.

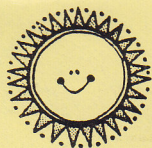
A reception to honor the young artists and their families will be held Wednesday evening, May 19, at 7 PM. Each student will receive individual recognition for their work. Refreshments will be served and all youngsters attending the reception may participate in a drawing for prizes.

Youngsters who live in Shelby and Schneider who display their art work in the Lowell exhibit are invited to display their artpieces at the branch libraries during the first week of June. These students are asked to bring their artwork to the branch libraries during the week of May 25.

The Student Art Exhibit continues to be one of the popular events the library schedules each year. Library Friends and staff are pleased to have the opportunity to showcase the work of these young students and are looking forward to sharing this rewarding experience with library visitors.





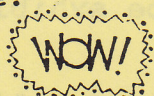


## WILL SUNNY SKIES SHINE OVER LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION?

Skies are beginning to clear over the library site after months of rain, sleet and snow. High hopes are that sunny weather will stay around for a while to help the construction workers during the completion of the new building. Progress won't be as visible however. No, they haven't stopped working--they've just moved inside.

Insulation, drywall, and framing for the interior walls are proceeding at a rapid rate. Electrical wiring, plumbing, and heating ducts are being installed.

In a few short months we will welcome you to the new building. While it's still under construction, however, for safety's sake--please don't go on the library property. Heavy trucks moving to and from the construction site, deep ruts created by the equipment, nails and other building materials, can all be hazardous to non-authorized individuals who wander on the site.



## WE'VE HIT THE \$10,000 MARK!!!

The library board and staff are ecstatic over the wonderful response by community residents, businesses and organizations who have donated over \$10,000 to date to help furnish the new library.

Since our last newsletter Betty Butler, Elizabeth Hunt, Gordon & Mary Zoe Weaver and Mr. & Mrs. Brad Castle have provided funds to purchase items which are most needed as have Hook's Drugs and Jill Westerbeck's class in room 16 at Oak Hill School.

Monies for new books for the Children's section were donated Frank & Norma Nichols and Betty Butler. Our last brick buyer was Uptown Stylist, bringing the total number of bricks sold to 200.

More trees to enhance the library site will be provided because of donations by Joe and Debbie Strand & family, Ed & Betty Kelly, and Helen, Stephen and Diana McIntire.

Thank you to all our donors. You really make our day!!!

## THEY TOOK THE PLEDGE AND TUNED IN TO BOOKS



During National Library Week, April 18-24, the Tri-Creek School Corporation in conjunction with the Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider Branches, launched a campaign to challenge individuals and families to "Turn Off the TV and Tune In To Books." Their goal was to have everyone read at least 40 minutes a day.

During this special week drawings for prizes were held at the library and area schools to encourage adults and children to sign the library pledge. Friends of the Library served homemade cookies to library patrons and over one hundred and fifty adults and children attended special events held at the libraries during National Library Week.

Signs from one end of town to the other announced the "Turn Off TV" challenge. The Lowell Town Council, at their April 12 meeting also pledged to sign the library challenge. Newspapers and radio broadcast carried the message throughout the Lake County area.

Over six hundred pledges were signed during the week-long celebration.



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

## ADULT PROGRAMS

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
LIBRARY QUILTERS MEET  
Each Monday 9:00 AM

Tuesday May 4  
ENJOY NATURE'S GIFT: PLANT A GARDEN  
7:00 PM. Master Gardener John Naglosky of the Lake County Extension Service will teach techniques for planting and harvesting a successful vegetable garden.



Tuesday, May 11  
PLANTING THE RIGHT TREE  
7:00 PM. Lake County Extension Agent Mark Kepler will discuss the selection, planting and pruning of trees that grow best in our Lake County area.

Thursday, May 13  
BLOOD PRESSURE  
Shelby Branch 9 AM - 11 AM  
Lowell 12 Noon - 1:30 PM



## ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE!

At the April meeting of the Friends of the Library elections were held for the office of president and treasurer. Past President Sue Wingate "passed the gavel" to newly elected President Brian Mathias, while former Treasurer Donna Smith turned her duties over to the Friends Treasurer-Elect Mine Hirata. Congratulations to the new officers of the Friends.

Friends' regularly scheduled May meeting will be held one week earlier than usual, on Wednesday, May 12. New members are always welcomed.

## GOVERNOR HONORS ONE OF OUR



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Congratulations to Griffith resident Lucy Perez, tutor for the Lowell Public Library Literacy Program for Migrant Workers.

Lucy was recently presented a Governor's Voluntary Action Literacy Award for her work teaching "Survival English" skills to migrant workers on area farms.

## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS...

Try something new this summer!!! Volunteer to be a tutor for the Lowell Public Library Migrant Program. It's fun and a rewarding experience for both you and your student.

At a tutor training workshop you will learn how to teach "Survival English" skills to your student. The workshop will be held in the library Community Room on May 11 & 12 from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM. A prior knowledge of Spanish is not required

After you receive your training you can look forward to meeting your student at the group tutoring sessions which will begin around the end of May. Tutors will meet with their students at the farms for 2 hour sessions each Sunday.

There will be an organizational meeting for all those who want to be a migrant tutor, or have been tutors in the past, immediately following the May 12 session. Maria Melendez of VISTA will be present to answer any questions.

A few hours a week can be a very rewarding experience for both you and your students. Come join us! To volunteer, contact Susie Dokulil at the library, 696-7704.



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# Happy Mother's Day

## CRAFT CORNER

Spring is popping up all over!

Flower muffin cups will be blossoming at the pre-school craft, while at the school-age craft the children will create wind socks that will flow in the air like a kite on a spring day.

LOWELL -Thursday, May 6  
Pre-school craft - 10:00 AM  
School-age craft - 3:30 PM



SCHNEIDER - Thursday, May 13  
Both crafts - 3:30 PM

Yongsters will also make a craft to welcome in Spring at the Shelby Branch Library.

Pre-school Craft - Thursday, May 20 at 3:30 PM  
School-age Craft - Thursday, May 27 at 4:00 PM

Shelby Craft to be announced!