



19th Annual Student Art Exhibit (May 17-22)

The Children's Room of the library will soon set the scene for a vast, colorful array of creative conceptions to treat the eye, courtesy of the imagination of Tri-Creek area students, grades K-5.

The 19th Annual Student Art Exhibit, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, will feature works of art from students of Lake Prairie, Oak Hill, Three Creeks and St. Edward's elementary schools. Each year, the ceiling, walls, and flat surfaces of the cabinets and bookshelves have been covered with artpieces created in oils, pastels, pen and ink drawing, stencil, weaving, papier-mache, and other art media.

To honor the achievements of the young artists and to give their families a special opportunity to view the artwork on exhibit, the Friends will host a reception on Thursday, May 20, at 7 PM. At the reception each artist will receive individual recognition for his work. The reception will be a festive affair with cake, punch and coffee served in the meeting room. To help foster the love of creating art, a drawing for art supplies will be held for all the children attending the reception.

The drawing for Beanie Baby "Gloria" will also be held the night of the reception. Raffle tickets are available at the circulation desk.

Books to Buy

The on-going booksale continues to be a popular attraction for library visitors. The booksale, located on the southwest wall of the non-fiction section of the library, is shelved at any given time with books, paperbacks, software, videos, and magazines.

Donations of these materials, in good condition, are always welcomed at the library. The sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Library with all proceeds donated to the library for special needs.

Sometimes it's feast or famine, depending on the donations received each month. Spring cleaners, when you clean out your home library, help the Friends help the library by bringing your donations to the circulation desk for the sale.

I think that I shall never see....

Members of the Screaming Eagles Webelos of Lowell Cub Scout Pack 302 rolled up their sleeves and dug into community service.

The Webelos came to the library last month to plant a Flame Amur Maple to replace the tree that had been damaged by a storm. The tree is located on the east side of the library.

The project was part of the Cub Scout World Conservation Award. Directing the Webelos in their efforts were Cub Scout Leader Evan Berkey and Assistant Leader Scott Lindemer. Screaming Eagles members Jay Berkey, Ryan Lindemer, John Morario and Erik Rasmussen planted the lovely tree that, hopefully, will enhance the natural setting of the library grounds for years to come.

If you or your organization would like to donate a tree, please contact the library at 696-7704.



HAPPENINGS IN MAY

Adult Programs:

Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

Each Monday: May 3, 10, 17, 24
9 AM - 12:30 PM

Bring your quilting project and questions and enjoy the fellowship of the Library Quilters.

Fit Forever- Lowell

Each Monday: May 3, 10, 17, 24
Each Wednesday: May 5, 12, 19, 26
Each Friday: May 7, 14, 21, 28
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 for three weekly sessions, \$16 for 2 weekly sessions.

Basket Classes with Julie Duttlinger:

Weave a "Welcome" Basket - Shelby

Thursday, May 6, at 9 AM
Fee is \$24

Weave a Darning Basket - Shelby

Tuesday, May 11, at 6 PM
Fee is \$24

Weave a Birdhouse Basket - Lowell

Tuesday, May 18, at 8:30 AM
Thursday, May 20, at 6:30 PM
Wednesday, May 26, at 6:30 PM
Fee is \$22. The birdhouse basket is on exhibit at the library.

Should You Have a Living Trust?

Tuesday, May 11, at 2 PM or 6 PM

Is a revocable living trust the most cost effective way to handle your final estate? A free seminar on living trusts will be presented by Alicia Gloyeske, M.B.A., Attorney at Law, Valparaiso; Bill Hamer, CLU, ChFC, Merrillville; and Paul Palmer, LUTCF, of Lowell.

Topics to be discussed are: federal estate taxes, state inheritance tax, probate cost and avoidance, choosing your health care representatives, power of attorney, Medicare, Medicaid and long term health care, living wills and pour over wills. Refreshments will be served.

Have Your Hearing Tested - Lowell

Saturday, May 15, 9 AM to 3 PM

The ability to hear is one of the most valuable senses we have, yet it is also one of our most delicate. Damage to the inner workings of our ears can be caused by noise or sudden illness. During the aging process some loss of hearing is natural but hearing loss can be very subtle.

Technicians of Beltone Hearing Aid Service will offer free hearing tests to adults and older children on a first come, first served basis. Indian Trail Grange #2461 is sponsoring the program.

Bring Your Plants to Trade - Schneider

Thursday, May 20, at 7 PM

Plant lovers and beginning gardeners can trade seeds, seedlings, perennials, bulbs, or anything else that grows outside at the 7th Annual Spring Plant Trade, held at the Schneider Branch Library. Learn about plants and take something new home with you.

Reference Librarian and "Library Plant Lady" Darlene Rigg will bring some of her unusual plants to the program.

Decorative Stamping - Lowell

Tuesday, May 25, at 6:30 PM

Learn the Art of Rubber Stamping. Wendy Hoefling of Golden Seal, Crown Point, will teach a free craft workshop on decorative stamping. Using rubber stamps, participants will learn to create invitations, cards, and unique designs using their favorite images and colors.

No artistic talent is necessary to enjoy this relaxing and creative outlet. With rubber stamping, you can make designs on paper, fabric, wood, glass, plastic, metal or whatever you can think of, just like the professionals.

Pre-register for programs

Lowell - 696-7704

Schneider - 552-1000

Shelby - 552-0809

Holiday Closings

The library and its Shelby and Schneider Branches will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day. The libraries will resume regular hours on Tuesday, June 1.

Books-On-Tape

Check out these new arrivals
in the AV section:

- Bittersweet* - Danielle Steel
- Act of Violence* - Margaret York
- Fiennders Keepers* - Jean Marsh
- Death by Jury* - John Lutz
- Brave New World* - Aldous Huxley
- Seeing a Large Cat* - Elizabeth Peters
- A Thin Dark Line* - Tami Hoag
- Other People's Children* - Joanna Trollope
- Archangel* - Paul Watkins
- To the Hilt* - Dick Francis
- On the Night of the Seventh Moon* -
Victoria Holt

Free Childhood Immunizations

Cedar Lake Clinic
Thursday, May 6
12 Noon to 6 PM

Lowell Public Library
Thursday, May 20
9 AM - 3 PM

Please bring your child's immunization records.

On Video

For your viewing pleasure:

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| <i>Mighty Joe Young</i> | <i>A Bug's Life</i> |
| <i>The Rescuers</i> | <i>Taebo: Basic</i> |
| <i>Rugrats: the Movie</i> | <i>Taebo: Advanced</i> |
| <i>Ever After</i> | <i>Mulan</i> |

CD Arrivals

For your listening pleasure:

- Baby One More Time* - Britney Spears
- Five* - Five
- The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill* - Lauryn Hill

Thank You for Thinking of Us

A touch of spring was brought to the library last month, in the form of a beautiful bouquet of spring flowers to grace the circulation desk. The flower arrangement was given to the staff by Carl and Diana Matury of Lowell Floral Shop in celebration of National Library Week (April 17-22).

Friends Fill the Bill

Recently the library was in need of extra book carts to handle the flow of new materials coming in for processing.

The Friends purchased two book carts to ease the load and also provided funds to purchase two magazine racks to be used to handle over 20 magazine subscriptions available for check out at the Schneider Branch Library.

To help raise money for the library the Friends are currently busy planning their annual rummage sale, to be held in July. They ask that library patrons please put the Friends in their thoughts and save unwanted items to donate at the time of the sale.



Flowers at Craft Corner

Pre-schoolers attending Craft Corner with Children's Programmer Miss Chris will have fun making a flower bouquet picture. School age children will make a reptile key chain.

Lowell

Pre-school - Thursday, May 6, at 10 AM

School Age - Thursday, May 6, at 3:30 PM

Schneider

Both Crafts - Thursday, May 13, at 3:30 PM

Shelby

Pre-school - Thursday, May 20, at 3:30 PM

School age - Thursday, May 27, at 3:30 PM

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Young People's Books-On-Tape

Children like to listen to books-on-tape and to meet the demand for this media, the library is continually increasing its collection of books-on-tape for children and young adults.

New additions of juvenile books-on-tape include:

The Lottery Rose - Irene Hunt

The Moorchild - Eloise McGraw

Crash - Jerry Spinelli

Young Adult books-on tape arrivals are:

Thronk-Joan Bauer

Beardance-Will Hobbs

Summer of Fear-Lois Duncan