

# \* Lowell Library Lines



**JUNE 2004** 

# Get Hooked on a Great Book!

School's Out! Let's have fun at the library! On Monday, June 7, the walls of the Children's Room of the library will be transformed into a giant fishing pond to encourage children to read during the summer vacation.

"Get Hooked on a Great Book!"



Children who join the Summer Reading Club Program at the Shelby and Schneider branches can gear up for some great reading adventures and exciting activities throughout the eight- week long program presented by Assistant Director and Children's Librarian Barbara Zink Berkey.

See how many "Fish You Can Catch!"

The Great Pet Show, Book Walk, Bingo, the Cookout and the Grand Finale Carnival will provide plenty of laughs and good times for Reading Club members.

We have made a few changes in our program this year. Children who listen to stories or read from the Easy Reader section will be recognized for every ten books. Those children who read on their own from the juvenile (J) area will receive recognition for each **chapter** they read. There will also be some separate programs geared toward the two age groups. The first day to check out books for Summer Reading is Monday, June 7. You may sign up on that day or any day after that since the program will continue through Saturday, July 31, at our main location and the Shelby and Schneider branches. Even if your child is not able to come to the programs, we hope that you will encourage reading by bringing him or her to the library as often as possible.



# YAs, Let's Get Hooked on a Great Book!

YAs (young adults) grades 5-12, of the Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches, who participate in the YA Summer Reading Contest can vie for some terrific prizes while reading for the sheer pleasure of it! No reading assignments here! The contest begins Monday, June 7, and participants will find contest rules located at the circulation desk. Read a book or listen to a book-on-tape that you check out at the library and enter a weekly drawing. Each Saturday we will draw seven names for prizes. Winners will be notified and may pick up their prizes on Monday.

A Grand Prize Drawing will be held Saturday, August 7!! The more participants read, the better the chance of winning the Grand Prize. The last day of Summer Reading is Saturday, July 31. All entries must be turned in by this date.

YAs, "Let's Get Hooked on a Great Book" this summer!

# **Adult Programs**

Quilters Meet -- Lowell
Each Monday, June 7, 14, 21, 28
9 AM - 12:30 PM
Bring your quilting projects.

Library Scrapbooking Series - Lowell

Monday, June 14, at 6 PM
Prepare your summer album pages. Make three-dimensional pages using 3D die cut techniques.
Monday, June 28, at 6 PM
Bring your photos and scissors and ideas to share.
We provide the coffee.

Blood Pressure Screening - Shelby Monday, June, 14, 10:30 AM to 12 Noon. Offered by medical technicians.

Blood Pressure/Sugar Screening - Lowell
Wednesday, June 16, 9 AM to 11 AM
Blood pressure and sugar (glucose) screening
is offered by Clinical Management Services.
Diabetes is called the silent killer. Get free testing
at the library. Keep healthy by monitoring your
blood pressure and glucose. Invite your family and
friends to take part in the regular monthly health
checks at the library.

East of Eden - Lowell
Coffee Klatch Book Discussion
Thursday, June 17, at 7 PM or
Friday, June 18, at 10 AM

East of Eden is one of Nobel Prize Winner John Steinbeck's best. A novel of good and evil, brother against brother, Steinbeck drew on the story of Cain and Abel from the Bible's Book of Genesis as his inspiration for East of Eden. Steinbeck creates a masterpiece spanning the period from the Civil War to World War II and the lives of two families filled with tragedy and despair. A taut and sometimes brutal novel, East of Eden is set in the beautiful farmland of Salinas, California. Pick up a copy at the circulation desk and reserve your seat for Coffee Klatch.

Northwest Indiana Poetry Society - Lowell Saturday, June 19, at 10 AM Bring your poetry to share with others. Come and enjoy and learn the art of poetry writing.

Crocheting/Needlepoint/Quilting - Lowell Monday, June 21, at 6:30 PM.

Do you like to crochet? Bring your crocheting, knitting or quilting projects to the library's Crochet Club. Novices can learn from others.

Gardening Series - Lowell

Monday, June 28, promptly at 7 PM. Who would think that an evening learning about pesticide safety can be fun? With Dr. Fred Whitford of Purdue University as guest speaker you can enjoy a lively, entertaining Presentation on pesticide safety.

Topics include: choosing the right pesticide, label directions, special precautions when using pesticides, storage, dealing with spills, safety clothing and equipment and pesticide alternatives. The program is co-sponsored by the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service. Master Gardeners can achieve additional training hours by attending this program.

#### **North Versus South**

Each Monday night at 5 PM at the Shelby Branch Library patrons are enjoying a screening of the mini-series movie *North & South*, the story of two men, one northern, one southern, who try to maintain their lifelong friendship before and during the Civil War. Bring a friend.

#### **Check Out Our Websites**

Lowell Public Library: http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

Lowell History on the Web: http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/history.htm

Richard Schmal's "Pioneer History" Column:

http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/ltschmal.htm Local Biographies http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/biograph.htm

### **Summer Hours at the Branches**

The Shelby and Schneider Branches have changed over to Summer Hours.

 Shelby Hours:
 Schneider Hours:

 Mon. 9 AM - 1 PM
 Mon. 10 AM - 1 PM

 4 PM - 7 PM
 5 PM - 7 PM

 T- W-Th 9 AM - 1 PM
 T- W-Th 10 AM - 1 PM

 Fri. Closed
 Fri. Closed

 Sat. 9 AM - 2 PM.
 Sat. 10 AM - 1 PM.

# **Friends to Meet**

The Friends of the Library will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday, June 16, at 7 PM.



# Young Adult Summer Activity Schedule

- Thursday, June 10, 4:30 PM. View Lord of the Rings: Return of the King for a slim \$.25 entrance fee!
- Saturday, June 12 & 19, 9 AM to 1 PM Babysitting Course for \$25.00. Summer class is full, but another class may be offered later.
- Tuesday, June 15, 9 AM 12 Noon Summer Stepping Stones One Stroke Painting Course; fee is \$10.00. Hurry, space is limited!
- Tuesday, June 22, 9 AM 12 Noon One Stroke Painting: Wind Chimes; fee is \$6.00.
- Thursday, June 24, 9 AM 1 PM CPR class; fee \$25.00. Space is still available!
- Wednesday, June 30, 4:30 PM 5:30 PM Book Discussion
- Thursday, July 1: Salute to America One Stroke Painting Class; fee \$6.00.
- Tuesday, July 20. Summer Essentials Painting Class. Call for exact time.
- August 12-14: 9 AM- 4 PM each day. YA Rummage sale, Volunteers are needed and appreciated!

# **Other YA Summer Activities**

- Chess Club is every Thursday from 6-7:30 P.M.
- Book Discussion—Check to see this month's book
- Call the Library for more information or to check on program updates, 696-7704.
- ALSO, Kids (Grades 5-12) interested in having a voice concerning YA Library programs can join the YA Library Advisory Board!

## **Kid's Movie Corner**

Each Monday at 10 AM children can enjoy an exciting feature movie at the Shelby Branch Library. It's free. There's plenty of popcorn and soda too.

#### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

The GFWC Lowell Woman's Club and the library will co-sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, June 26, from 10 AM to 2 PM.

T-shirts will be given to all presenting donors. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (448-3543) to schedule your blood donation. Walk-ins will be accepted. Please bring ID!



# Food, Fun & Fiction Club

The popular Food, Fun, and Fiction Club heats up throughout the summer months. Members enjoy reading and discussing books with other club members over snacks that we provide. Books to be discussed are selected by club members.

"Food, Fun & Fiction" members at the Shelby Branch Library can read and discuss Chinese Cinderella by Adeline Yen Mah on Wednesday, June 23, at 11:30 AM.

At the Lowell Library club members will meet at a date and time to be announced.



# **Kids' Nature Club Program**

Children grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> can join the Kids' Nature Club at the Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider Branches. The Nature Club focuses on fun ways to learn about the environment.

Register now or at any time during the 5-month program. Bookmarks listing the programs activities will be given to new club members upon registration. The 1st program of the Kids' Nature Club will be held at the Lowell Public Library on Saturday, June 12, at 10 AM. At the Schneider Branch the club meets on Monday, June 14, at 10 AM. Shelby Kids' Nature Club will meet on Wednesday, June 16, at 10 AM. Club members will spend part of the program outdoors learning to identify leaves. Back indoors, club members will learn to preserve the leaves they have collected.

The cicadas are coming! The first wave of 17-year cicadas have been spotted in southern Indiana. It's the quiet before the invasion. Soon Tri-Creek area residents will hear the humming, buzzing sounds of the cicadas. Take a walk on the Nature Trail and see if you can spot any cicadas!

# Children's Paperback Booksale

The Friends of the Library will hold their annual Children's Paperback Booksale from June 7 to June 21 in the main room of the library. Children can start their own home libraries with selections of rib-ticklers, spooky tales, rip-roaring westerns, mind-boggling mysteries, stories of friendship and adventure, and sci-fi fun. There will also be a generous supply of biographies and adventures in fact-finding. Brightly colored posters and bookmarks will also be available at the sale as well as games and crafts.

50% of all proceeds from the sale are donated to the library to be used for Summer Reading Club Program and new books for the children's collection.



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