

# Lowell Library Lines

JULY 2002



## Our Kind of Town

Celebrating its 150th birthday, the Town of Lowell is about to show the fine community spirit that has made Lowell one of the showplaces of Lake County, Indiana. Every weekend from August 2nd to September 2nd, Lowell community residents and visitors can enjoy the many events planned to commemorate the town's Sesquicentennial. The theme of the Sesquicentennial is "Echoes of the Prairie: Halsted's Dream." The celebration begins with the Community Picnic and closes with the Lowell Labor Day Parade and Festival and a grand fireworks display at Oak Hill Elementary School.

During the Sesquicentennial the town will offer up some old fashioned fun! Tours, games, demonstrations, Civil War re-enactors, a costume ball, a farmers' market, an art fair, horse drawn hay rides and a corn maze are just a few of the many events and activities that reflect the history and culture of Lowell. Be there at 7 PM for the lighting of Lowell's 150th birthday cake on Friday, August 2nd, at the Lowell Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #2437, on 155 Mill Street.

In observance of the celebration, the library has created monthly displays in the foyer exhibit case reflecting the history of the town, the Fire Department, Police Department, town newspaper (The Lowell Tribune), the town government and the Lowell Chamber of Commerce. This month the Lowell Mainstreet Association will be featured in the display. In August, photographs and memorabilia from the Three Creeks Historical Association will be highlighted. Other displays throughout the library will help visitors connect with Lowell's past.

Many of Lowell's organizations and businesses have joined in to make this event in the town's history one that will be long remembered and recorded. Included in this month's newsletter is a schedule of the Sesquicentennial Celebration. Invite your friends and family to Lowell's 150th Birthday Party.

### Summer Club Readers to Learn About Indiana's Miami Indians

Eagle Band Chief Wakakakei (George Dorin), a member of the Miami Indian Tribe of Indiana, will present "Our Native American Heritage," at the library on Monday, July 8, at 10:30 AM for the "POW WOW With Books" Summer Reading Club members.

Over 600 children have registered for this year's reading club, enjoying puppet shows, bringing their pets to the Great Pet Show, taking a walk on the Book Walk and other special activities. It's not too late to join the Summer Reading Club. Register in the Children's Room and pick up a schedule of upcoming events.

### Copy Ready

The new copier, recently purchased by the Friends of the Library, gives quality copies in letter, legal and ledger size and can enlarge or reduce an original.

Our patrons tell us that having a copier for public use in the main room of the library is greatly appreciated and convenient for them.

A new coin machine is on its way and should be installed by the second week in July. Copies remain at \$.15 each.



## July Adult Programs

[www.lowellpl.lib.in.us](http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us)

### Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

Each Monday: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
9 AM - 12:30 PM

### Blood Pressure Screening

Shelby - Thursday, July 11

9 AM - 10:30 AM

Lowell - Tuesday, July 16

1 PM - 4 PM First come, first served.

### Mid-West Writers' Forum - Lowell

Thursdays, July 11 & 25

Join the Mid-West Writers' Forum, sponsored by the library, and share your writings with other members.

### Song of Solomon Book Discussion - Lowell

Thursday, July 18, at 7 PM

or Friday, July 19, at 10 AM

Oprah did it! Katie Couric's doing it. We're doing it too! Join Book Discussion and enjoy sharing your thoughts and opinions about a novel or a non-fiction book each month. July's book selection is *Song of Solomon* by Toni Morrison, bestselling author and Nobel Prize winner in literature.

"Morrison is a terrific storyteller...Her writing evokes the joyful richness of life." - *Newsday*

A rhapsodic work...intricate and inventive...it billows!" - *The New Yorker*

### "Planting Your Tree" - Lowell

Monday, July 22, promptly at 7 PM

You want the tree you plant to be healthy, provide shade, increase the value of your property and, perhaps, be a habitat for birds. Stan Sims of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service will present Proper Procedures of Tree Planting at this free gardening program.

Master Gardeners can achieve advanced training hours by attending any of these garden sessions.

## YA Fun, Food and Fiction

The next meeting of the YA Fun, Food and Fiction Club will be held on Wednesday, July 17, at 4:30 PM. Young adults can enjoy reading *Sugar Isn't Everything* by Willow Davis Roberts.

What is it like to be 11 years old and find out you have a disease that isn't going to go away? Amy's life is turned upside down when she is diagnosed as having diabetes. What will her friends think? Will they treat her differently? What effect does Amy's diabetes have on her family? Will she learn to manage her disease and still enjoy her life as she did before? Come have refreshments on us and share your opinions about the book with other YA's. Pick up a copy of *Sugar Isn't Everything* and register for the YA book discussion.

Have lunch at a book discussion at the branch libraries too! At the Shelby Branch Library Young Adult Food, Fun & Fiction participants will be reading *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt and discussing the book on Tuesday, July 2, at 11:30 AM. *Tuck Everlasting* is also the selection chosen for Food, Fun & Fiction at the Schneider Branch Library on Monday, July 15, at 12 Noon.

Drinking from a spring, the Tuck family finds everlasting life. It sounds like a dream come true. But does eternal life come at a price? A powerful drama, love story and mystery, soon to be a Disney feature film, *Tuck Everlasting* is a great read! Copies are available at the branches.

### Nature Club Members Meet



Join the Nature Club and enjoy the many activities focusing on the environment. Meet the "bugs" at the reference desk and pick up a Nature Club booklet at the library and its branches.

Lowell - Tuesday, July 16, at 3:30 PM

Shelby - Wednesday, July 17, at 9 AM

Schneider - July 17, at 11 AM.

**Historical Weekend**  
**"Echoes of the Prairie:**  
**Halsted's Dream"**

**Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- ⌘ 5 pm – Community Picnic along Main Street between Mill and Halsted Streets.
- ⌘ 7 pm – Lighting of the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Cake. Lowell Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge 2437, 155 Mill Street
- ⌘ 8 pm – Artillery and infantry demonstrations, music and stories around the campfire at the Civil War Living History encampment. Liberty Park, Main and Liberty Streets.

**Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- ⌘ 8 am-12 noon – Commemorative Sesquicentennial stamp cancellations. Lowell Post Office, 202 Washington St.
- ⌘ 9 am-5 pm – Civil War Camp, Artillery and infantry demonstrations. Liberty Park, Main and Liberty Streets.
- ⌘ 9 am-12 noon – Historic craft demonstrations. Downtown Business District
- ⌘ 11 am-4 pm Tours of historic Halsted House Museum, 201 E. Main Street.
- ⌘ 1 pm – Games of Yesteryear for children and adults. Oakland Park, Oakley and Parkview Ave.
- ⌘ 2:30 pm – Civil War Re-enactor Memorial Program. Soldier's Monument. Olde Towne Square, Commercial Ave & Fremont St.
- ⌘ 7 pm – Costume Ball, Lowell Memorial VFW Post 6841, 17401 Morse St.

**Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

- ⌘ 1 pm – Replacement of historical plaques at historic site – Old Lowell School, 525 E. Main St.
- ⌘ 1 pm-5 pm – Historic Homes Tours. Maps available at Chamber Office.
- ⌘ 2 pm – Official opening of historic Halsted House Museum and Ice Cream Social, 201 E. Main St.
- ⌘ 2:30 pm – Unveiling of Sesquicentennial Quilt. Halsted House Museum, 201 E. Main St.



**CELEBRATING 150  
 YEARS**

**Athletics Weekend**  
**"Tournaments of Yesteryear"**

**Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**

- ⌘ 6:30 pm-8:30 pm – Wall of Fame Tour, Lowell High School, 2051 E. Com. Ave.

**Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**

- ⌘ 9 am-9pm – "Belanger Special" 1951 Indianapolis 500 Winner on Display. Olde Towne Square, Commercial Ave & Fremont St.
- ⌘ 9 am – Men's & Women's 1-mile Cross Country Race, Lowell Middle School, 200 W. Oakley Avenue.
- ⌘ 10 am-4 pm – Horseshoe Tournament, Lowell American Legion Post 101, 1081/2 E. Commercial Avenue.

### **Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 8 am-12 noon – Fishing Derby with Pro Angler Dave Truett. Evergreen Park Pond, Commercial Avenue and Joe Martin Road.
- ☞ 9 am-9 pm – “Belanger Special” 1951 Indianapolis 500 winner on display. Olde Towne Square, Commercial Avenue & Fremont St.
- ☞ 12 noon-4 pm – Old Fashioned Relay Games for young and old. Plus carnival rides. Lowell American Legion Post 101, 10812 E. Commercial Avenue.

### **Agricultural Weekend “Down on the Farm Daze”**

### **Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 7 pm-10 pm – Country, clogging and square dance performances. Lowell Memorial VFW Post 6841, 17401 Morse St.

### **Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Corn Maze, Buckley Homestead, 3606 Belshaw Rd.
- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Farmer’s Market, Olde Towne Square Park. Commercial Avenue & Fremont St.
- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Art in the Park, Lump Corner, Commercial Avenue and Mill St.
- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Quilting Demonstration, Legion Park. 108 E. Commercial Avenue
- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Saw Mill Demonstration, Liberty Park, Main and Liberty St.
- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Horse Drawn Hayrides. Buckley Homestead 3606 Belshaw Rd.
- ☞ 12 noon – Tractor Parade, Commercial Avenue from Wilco to Lowell American Legion Post 101.

### **Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Corn Maze, Buckley Homestead, 3606 Belshaw Rd.

- ☞ 10 am-4 pm – Farmers Market, Olde Towne Square Park, Commercial Ave and Fremont St.
- ☞ 10 am – 4 pm – Art in the Park, Lump Corner, Commercial Ave and Mill St.
- ☞ 10 am – 4 pm – Quilting Demonstration, Legion Park, 108 E. Commercial Ave.
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- ☞ 10 am – 4 pm – Horse Drawn Hayrides, Buckley Homestead, 3606 Belshaw Rd.
- ☞ 12 noon – 4 pm – Local Garden Tours. Maps Available
- ☞ 1 pm – 4 pm – Petting Zoo. Liberty Park, Main and Liberty Streets.

### **Community Weekend “Step into the Past for Lowell’s Brithday Blast”**

### **Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- ☞ 7:30 pm – Burying of Time Capsule Halsted House Museum, 202 E. MainSt.

### **Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 10 am-6pm – Arts and Crafts Fair, Olde Towne Square, Commercial Ave and Fremont St.
- ☞ 12 noon-10 pm – Taste of Lowell Tour. Maps of participating eateries available.
- ☞ 6:30 pm-8 pm – Ecumenical Church Celebration. Lowell Church of Christ, 299 N. Burr St.

### **Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**

- ☞ 10 am-6 pm – Arts and Crafts Fair, Olde Towne Square Commercial Ave and Fremont St.
- ☞ 2 pm – Local Talent Show. Lowell Middle School, 200 W. Oakley Ave.

### **Lowell Labor Day Parade**

### **Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- ☞ 10 am – 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lowell Labor Day Parade. Commercial Avenue between Holtz Rd and Harding Dr.
- ☞ Dusk – Sesquicentennial Fireworks Display. Oak Hill Elementary School 425 S. Nichols St. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs. Parking available in Oak Hill lot or behind Lowell Middle School.

# Pow Wow With Books!!



## SUMMER READING PROGRAM-JULY



### LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY SCHEDULE

**MON. JULY 1 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!- 10:30 AM**

A day on the farm at Buckley! Everyone is to meet at Buckley Homestead by 10:30 AM. Tour will last until 12:30 PM.

**WED. JULY 3 – PUPPET SHOW!!- 10:30 AM**

The story "The Fourth of July Guy."

**MON. JULY 8 – MEET MIAMI INDIAN CHIEF!!- 10:30 AM**

Enjoy listening to George Dorin (Chief Wakakakei) speak of the history of the Miami Tribe.

**WED. JULY 10 – PUPPET SHOW!!- 10:30 AM**

The story "The Lion and the Mouse" and "Are You My Mother?"

**MON. JULY 15 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!- 10:30 AM**

Come and see The Magician by "Christopher and Company."

**WED. JULY 17 – PUPPET SHOW!!- 10:30 AM**

The story "Chicken Little."

**MON. JULY 22 – FEEL LIKE DANCING?!- 10:30 AM**

Come make your own Indian Dance Stick.

**WED. JULY 24 – PUPPET SHOW!!- 10:30 AM**

The story "Claude the Dog."



### SCHNEIDER BRANCH SCHEDULE

**MON. JULY 1 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!-10:30 AM**

A day on the farm at Buckley! Everyone is to meet at Buckley Homestead by 10:30 AM. Tour will last until 12:30 PM.

**TUES. JULY 9 – BINGO AT THE LIBRARY!!- 10:30 AM**

Special treats for everyone.

**TUES. JULY 16 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!- 6:00 PM**

The Story Lady will delight you with stories. Stay for popcorn.

**TUES. JULY 23 – FEEL LIKE DANCING?!- 10:30 AM**

Come make your own Indian Dance Stick.

### SHELBY BRANCH SCHEDULE

**MON. JULY 1 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!- 10:30 AM**

A day on the farm at Buckley! Everyone is to meet at Buckley Homestead by 10:30 AM. Tour will last until 12:30 PM.

**THUR. JULY 11 – BINGO AT THE LIBRARY!!- 10:30 AM**

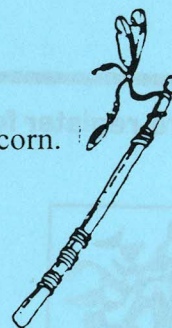
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**MON. JULY 15 – SPECIAL PROGRAM!!- 1:00 PM**

Come and see The Magician by "Christopher and Company."

**THURS. JULY 25 – FEEL LIKE DANCING?!- 10:30 AM**

Come make your own Indian Dance Stick.





## **"Girls Night Out"**

(an overnight pajama party)

**Place: Library Program Room**

**Date: July 19**

**Time: TBA**

**Participants: Girls, grades 4, 5 & 6**

**Fun: Stories, Games, Videos, Surprises**

**Food: You bet!!**

**Space is limited. Call the library for information.**

## **Reading Contest Blasts Off**



Reading everything and anything, the young adults of the library's summer reading contest "Blast From the Past." Participation is soaring as the YA's vie for prizes and fill their backpacks with novels and non-fiction books.

What are they reading? *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*, *The Wild Boy*, *Back to the Titanic*, *Just Josefina*, *Tuck Everlasting*, *7th Heaven*, *I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly*, *Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul*, and many other books written for young adult readers.

A weekly drawing is held for YA contest participants, and a grand prize drawing will be held at the end of the program.

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



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