



# Lowell Library Lines

July 2008



## Earth Watch

With increased interest for the health of our planet, said to be experiencing the negative effects of global warming, a display of publications concerning the environmental issues surrounding this controversy will be located across from the circulation desk during the month of July. Topics addressed in the publication include climate change; rising sea levels; air, water and land pollution; deforestation; endangered species; natural disasters; melting glaciers and icecaps; coral bleaching; resource depletion; urban sprawl and waste disposal.

On DVD in the video section of the library is *An Inconvenient Truth*, former Vice President Al Gore's stunning documentary of a campaign to bring worldwide attention to the issue of global warming. The other side of the global warming debate will also be reflected in the display. Fact or myth, the issues concerning the health of the planet has given rise to the publication of hundreds of books and a wealth of reading available for those interested in learning more about the subject.

During this year's Summer Reading Programs children will also learn about the natural environment they live in and what part they can play in helping the planet. The themes for this year's programs are *Going Green: Every Bit Helps* and *Teens Go Green for Summer Reading* and include activities that will focus on nature and recycling.

## Summer Reading Club Schedule 2008 - Lowell

The following programs are for pre-school to fifth graders. Children must be pre-registered and preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult. There are two sessions for each program — 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM.

Tuesday, July 1 A team of people from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management will talk about land, air, and water and where different materials come from. They will also conduct a recycling relay with participants.

Thursday, July 3 Paper Lilies

Tuesday, July 8 Rainsticks

Thursday, July 10 Edible Bird Nests

Tuesday, July 15 Edible Landfill

Thursday, July 17 Deviled "Owl" Eggs

Tuesday, July 22 Suncatchers

Thursday, July 24 Mini Carnival

LAST DAY TO ENTER BOOKS FOR SUMMER READING CREDIT



## **Lowell Adult Programs**

### **Library Quilters Meet**

Each Monday, July 7, 14, 21, and 28.  
9 AM - 12:30 PM. Bring your quilting projects.

### **Poetry Group Meets**

Saturday, July 19, at 10 AM.  
Aspiring poets can join the Northwest Indiana Poetry Society that meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month. For more information call Tom Spencer at 696-3888.

### **BP/Sugar/Cholesterol Test**

Wednesday, July 16, 9 AM to 11 AM.  
Blood pressure and sugar (glucose) screening are offered by Clinical Management, provided on a first come, first served basis. Also available is a combined cholesterol test for \$5.00 (currency only please).

### **Free Computer Classes**

Learn word processing and how to navigate the internet. Computer Basics will be offered on Mondays, Internet Basics on Wednesdays, and Word or Excel on alternate Fridays. All classes will be held at 11 AM. Evening classes are held each Tuesday at 6 PM. Pre-register.

### **Library Board to Meet**

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on Monday, July 21, at 7 PM.

### **Blood Drive**

An American Red Cross Blood Drive, co-sponsored by GFWC Lowell Women's Club and the library, will be held on Saturday, August 2, from 9 AM to 1 PM.

If you can be a blood donor, schedule an appointment by calling 1-800- GIVE LIFE (448-3543.) Walk-ins will be accepted.

To give blood you must be healthy, and at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, not have donated blood in the last 56 days or donated double red cells in the last 112 days. There is no upper age limit.

### **At the Shelby Branch**

#### **Adult Craft**

Monday, July 21, at 5 PM.  
Bring your craft projects to work with others and share ideas.

#### **National Lemonade Day**

Monday, July 28, serving all day.  
Stop in and enjoy a refreshing glass of lemonade with us!

#### **Adult Bingo**

Monday, July 28, at 5 PM.  
Play bingo for novelty prizes.

### **At the Schneider Branch**

#### **Adult Card Making**

Tuesday, July 15, at 11 AM. Make all occasion cards. Snacks will be provided.

Tuesday, July 29, at 11 AM, Adult Crafts

### **Check out these CDs**

*Mothership* - Led-Zeppelin

*American Man: Greatest Hits Volume 2*

*Sweeney Todd* - Sound Track

*Good Time* - Alan Jackson

*Everything is Fine* - Josh Turner

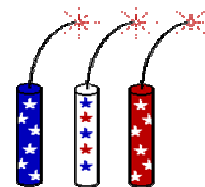
*Wow Gospel 2008*

*Warpaint* - Black Crowes

### **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 other readers by filling out a card that will be posted with others. The cards will be entered into a monthly drawing for a free gift certificate.



## **Non-Fiction Reading Picks**

- 973.931 *What Happened* - McClellan, Scott  
155.633 *The Second Journey* - Anderson, Joan  
332.6 *The Little Book That Builds Wealth* - Dorsey, Pat  
346.056 *Neighbor Law* - Doskow, Emily  
658.85 *The Art of Woo* - Shell, G. Richard  
883.01 *No Man's Land* - Huler, Scott  
320.973 *Just How Stupid Are We?* - Shenkman, Richard  
277.83 *Sundays In America* - Shea, Suzanne Strempek  
973.9722 *One Minute To Midnight* - Dobbs, Michael



### **Biographies:**

- Brett Favre*  
*Heart Full of Soul* - Taylor Hicks

## **Treasure Hunting at the Library**

Many book lovers make a trip to the Friends On-going Book Sale as part of their visit to the library. Located at the east wall of the non-fiction section, shoppers often find gems of reading pleasure for their home libraries. Hats off to the recyclers who donate their used books, cassettes, CD's, magazines, and DVDs and videos. Not only do they help the Friends fund programming at the library, but also give others hours of enjoyment through their recycling efforts. Join the recyclers. Bring your books and other booksale items to the staff entrance of the library. Staff will be glad to help you unload your donations.

### **Family Hour Movies**

Among the new additions to our collection are the following:

*Aviator: Book of Fire Vol. 3*

*Pocahontas*

*Nick Picks*

*Dinosaurs*

*Yu-Gi-Oh: The Movie*

*Baby Einstein*

*Naruto 24*

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*Mulan*

*Veggie Tales: An Easter Carol*

*Mary Poppins*

*Alvin & the Chipmunks: Trick or Treason*

### **Non - Fiction Videos**

*Cinderella Man: The James Braddock Story*

*Exodus Decoded*

*Titanic's Final Moments: Missing Pieces*

*Our Constitution: A Conversation*

*The Power of Choice*



# What's New At the Library

## **Check Out New Fiction Books:**

*Mind the Gap* - Golden, Christopher

*Domestic Affairs* - Goudge, Eileen

*A Dying Fall* - Spencer, Sally

*Married Lovers* - Collins, Jackie

*Plague Ship* - Cussler, Clive

*Spies of Warsaw* - Furst, Alan

*Death and Honor* - Griffin, W.E.B.

*Shadow of Power* - Martini, Steve

*Black Out* - Unger, Lisa

## **Mystery**

*Fearless Fourteen* - Evanovich, Janet

*Desert Cut* - Webb, Betty

*Nothing to Lose* - Child, Lee

*Broken Window* - Deaver, Jeffrey

*Sail* - Patterson, James

*Not in the Flesh* - Rendell, Ruth

*Vineyard Chill* - Craig, Philip

*Fever* - Pronzini, Bill

*Friends of the Devil* - Robinson, Peter

## **Western**

*Resolution* - Parker, Robert B.

## **Science Fiction**

*Edge of Reason* - Snodgrass, Melinda M.

## **Books On Cassette**

*Full Speed* - Evanovich, Janet

*All the Queen's Men* - Howard, Linda

*Body of Evidence* - Cornwell, Patricia

## **New DVDs**

*Feel the Noise*

*The Long Shot*

*The Gamble*

*Pearl Diver*

*Jumper*

*Rambo*

*Lions or Lambs*

*The Final Season*

*Rails & Ties*

*In the Valley of Elah*

*The Great Debaters*

*We Own the Night*

*Spiderwick Chronicles*

*Love in the Time of Cholera*

*Love's Unfolding Dream*

*The Jane Austen Book Club*

*Anne of Green Gables: the Sequel*

## **Have You Read....**

*Big Russ and Me: Father and Son--Lessons of Life* by Tim Russert?

Written by Tim Russert, one of the most popular and respected television journalists and political analyst of his time (*Meet the Press*), this book is warm, engaging, humorous and filled with life lessons passed on to Russert by his father "Big Russ."

The author, who passed away in June of this year, never forgot his roots, growing up in the Irish-Catholic neighborhood of Buffalo, New York.

His book, *Big Russ and Me*, tells of his father, a blue collar worker and World War II veteran whose strength of character, inherent decency and love of his children helped set Russert on a path that led him to the pinnacle of his profession, where he had access to the most revered and/or powerful people nationally and internationally. Yet Russert managed to maintain the fundamental values taught to him by his father.

This book is well worth the read. Also read Russert's companion book, *Wisdom of our Fathers: Lessons and Letters from Daughters and Sons*.

## Young Adult Programming - Lowell

July 2008

Thursday, July 3, at 4 PM. Make an Americana basket with Julie Duttlinger. \$7.

Thursday, July 3, at 6 PM. Girls!! Have your nails painted and stenciled for the 4th.

Wednesday, July 9 and Friday, July 11, babysitting class, at 9 AM-1 PM. \$25.00 (cash only).

Thursday, July 17, at 6 PM. Bingo.

Friday, July 18, at 11 AM. Madden 2008 Tournament with Mr. Blink.

Thursday, July 24, at 4 PM. Christmas in July Activities! Make Christmas crafts, cookies, and gift jars! (Call for details) Sign up now!!

Wednesday, July 30, at 3 PM. Book discussion. Call for book title.

### Schneider Kids

Wednesday, July 2, at 12 PM. Handprint Lilies.

Monday, July 7 and 21, at 11 AM. Bring your lunch and read together.

Wednesday, July 9, at 12 PM. Bookworms.

Thursday, July 10, at 11 AM. Kids movie day.

Saturday, July 12, at 1 PM. Nature Club bug pinning

Monday, July 14, at 5 PM. Beanbag tourney.

Wednesday, July 16, at 12 PM. Suncatchers.

Thursday, July 17, at 11 AM. Pet Show.

Tuesday, July 22, at 8:45 PM. Nature Club nightwalk.

Wednesday, July 23, at 12 PM. Mini carnival.

Saturday, July 26, at 11 AM. All ages movie.

Tuesday, July 29, at 11 AM. Kids bingo.

### Schneider Young Adults

Wednesday, July 2. Girls!! Have your nails painted and stenciled for the 4th. 5 PM.

Wednesday, July 9. New Game Night. 5 PM.

Wednesday, July 16. Bring an adult to Bingo Night. 5 PM.

Wednesday, July 23. Christmas in July! Make Christmas crafts, cookies, and gift jars. 4 PM.

Wednesday, July 30. Book Discussion. Read *Strays* by Ron Koertge. 5 PM.

### Shelby Kids

Wednesday, July 2, at 10:30 AM. Handprint lilies.

Wednesday, July 9, at 10:30 AM. Make a bookworm.

Saturday, July 12, at 10:30 AM. Nature Club bug pinning.

Wednesday, July 16, at 10:30 AM. Butterfly suncatchers.

Thursday, July 17, at 8:45 PM. Nature Club nightwalk.

Wednesday, July 23, at 10:30 AM. Mini carnival.

Wednesday, July 30, at 11 AM. End of Summer Reading ice cream party.



### Shelby Young Adults

Tuesday, July 1. Girls!! Have your nails painted and stenciled for the 4th. 5 PM - 7 PM.

Tuesday, July 8. Game Night. 5 PM.

Tuesday, July 15. Bring an adult to Bingo Night. 5 PM.

Tuesday, July 22. Christmas in July. 4 PM.

Tuesday, July 29. Read *Freaks* by Marcella Pixley. Join us for a Book Discussion and Pizza. 5 PM.



# ***Kids Nature Club***

## **Branch Library Kids to Explore Nature**

Join the Kids' Nature Club at the Shelby and Schneider Branches. Young members will discover an amazing outdoor world through exciting programs that include hands-on exploration, sensory activities, nature walks and more!

### **Schneider Branch**

Saturday, July 12, at 1 PM. Bug Pinning.

Tuesday, July 22, at 8:45 PM. Nightwalk.

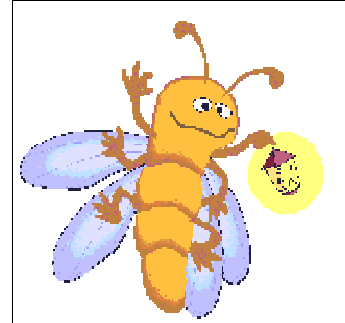
Wednesday, August 6, at 1 PM. Bookwalk and Pinata.

### **Shelby Branch**

Saturday, July 12, at 10:30 AM. Bug Pinning.

Thursday, July 17, at 8:45 PM. Nightwalk.

Wednesday, August 6, at 10:30 AM. Bookwalk and Pinata.



## **Newsletter Mailings**

Due to the increasing cost of mailing the Library Lines newsletter to area businesses, public entities and organizations, the Friends of the Library will now limit its mailing of the newsletter to Friends members. The newsletter is available at the library, and on the library's website at <http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/>. The Friends will also be happy to send the newsletter via E-mail upon request.