

LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY LOOKS AHEAD

In 1917 the Lowell Public Library first opened its doors to serve the needs of the community. Since that time, the library has undergone many changes both in location and in the services it offers the community.

As the library continues to expand these services to an ever increasing population, the need for long-range planning becomes vital.

On Thursday, June 29, public meetings will be held at the library at 2 PM and 7 PM to give the public the opportunity to participate in their library's future growth by sharing their feelings and ideas to what changed are needed, such as: more parking space, a quiet study area, a larger meeting room, a separate children's department, etc.

Mr. David R. Smith, the library's building consultant for space needs, will be present to listen to your ideas to incorporate into his recommendation.

Bring your friends and neighbors to either of these meetings. Your suggestions will be most welcome.

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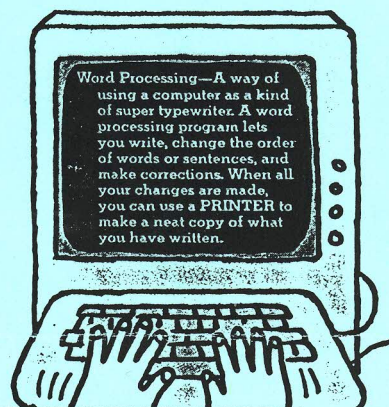
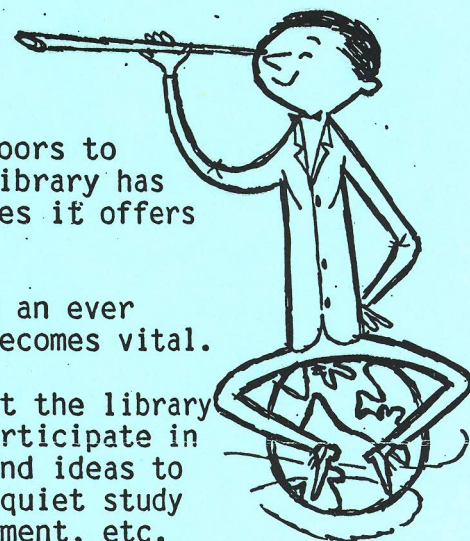
Lowell Library patrons are reaping the benefits of our new computer system which allows staff to provide faster service at checkout time.

Staff are updating patron records and patrons are asked to bring their library cards with them when they plan to check out materials or renew their books.

When renewing books by phone, patrons are requested to give their library card number, due date, title, author and barcode of materials they wish to renew.

Materials are due two weeks after checkout and the days grace period is no longer in effect. Notice for overdue materials checked out on the computer will not be sent to patrons at this time but will resume in the future.

As always, patrons are responsible for returning materials on time.



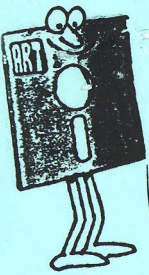
Purchase of the computer terminals was made possible through the generosity of the Friends and VFW Post #6841.

STAFF NOTES

Welcome to new staff member Carolyn Veteto, our summer student assistant. Carolyn is in her senior year at Ball State University, majoring in elementary education.



Much success to our 1989 high school graduates: Greg Maravilla, son of Director Virginia Maravilla; Michael Morgan, son of secretary/bookkeeper Sandy Morgan; Shelley Straka, daughter of children's programmer Chris Straka; and Christy Jackson, Library page.



New from Your Library

COMPUTER SOFTWARE FOR APPLE COMPUTERS

Patrons will now be able to check out computer software for Apple Computers.

With Public Domain Software on File (PDSOF) programs, patrons can use, copy, and modify the stored information to suit their needs.

Public domain software originated in the 1970's from individuals who created their own programs and wanted to share their expertise with others.

With this service, an extensive program library can be quickly attained.

Written in BASIC, the world's most popular source code, each program file contains two floppy disk for Apple computers and will be checked out to patrons for a two week period.

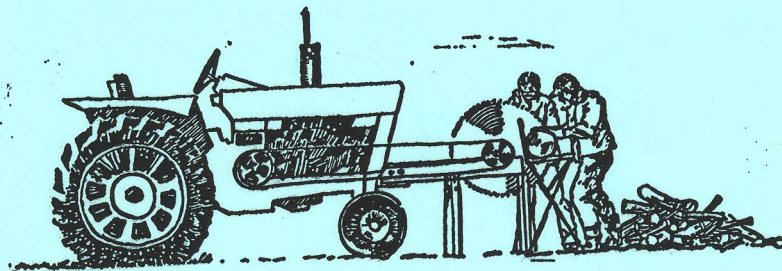
Areas covered by the software are Business Investments, loans, marketing, formulas, depreciation, invention formulas, etc.

Education, from pre-schoolers to college, word games, math, algebra, calculus, word skills, typing, French, Spanish.

Other software includes Graphics, Home Management, Music & Utilities.

Each folder contains approximately 20 to 25 programs available for copying.

The software disks are located in the video section of the library and staff will be happy to assist with any questions. .



TUTORS NEEDED IN LITERACY PROGRAM FOR MIGRANT WORKERS

The Lowell Public Library is seeking volunteers to tutor migrant workers in the use of English for their daily needs.

Many migrant workers have lived in the United States for several years, coming to Indiana each summer to work in the fields. Some of these workers have never had the opportunity to learn the English language.

Group tutoring sessions will take place, for two hours, on Sundays from July through October.

Volunteers will receive training for the program. Previous literacy tutor training is helpful but not required, nor is knowledge of the Spanish language.

For more information call the library at 696-7704 and ask for Nell Fabish.

A few hours a week can be a learning experience, while making the road the migrant worker travels a little easier for the enrichment he has gained.

Come help us help them!



Adult Programs

Blood Pressure and Diabetes Testing
Thursday, July 13 - 10 AM to Noon-1PM to 3 PM
The Lake County Health Department offers free testing on a first come-first served basis.

Library Board to Meet
Wednesday, July 12 - 7:30 PM
The library board meets in the community room.



DINO-MITE!

Over 335 children have signed up for the "Summer Reading Club" at the Lowell Public Library.

At Shelby and Schneider branches, 186 children have joined the reading program.

We salute our young readers!

SUMMER READING CLUB PROGRAMS

Mondays - 1:30 PM
(Lowell)



Thursdays - 10:00 AM (Shelby)
11:30 AM (Schneider)

July 3 - Lowell - "Dinosaur Judging" Shelby & Schneider - July 6
Create your own dinosaur at home and bring it to the library for judging

July 10 - Lowell - "Bookwalk" July 13 - Shelby & Schneider
Win a book when you walk along the "Bookwalk"

July 17 - Lowell - "Dinosaur Booklet" July 20 - Shelby & Schneider
Make a dinosaur booklet to take home and enjoy!

July 24 - Lowell - "Dinosaur Show"
Come see real dinosaur bones and fossils. Meet Joan Rucinski and watch her dinosaur slides.

July 27 - Shelby & Schneider - "Dinosaur Bingo"

July 31 - Lowell - "Dinosaur Trivia and Game Day" Aug. 3 - Shelby & Schneider
How much do you know about dinosaurs? Come and play and learn at the dinosaur games!

Remember!!! For every ten books you read, you get a "Dinosaur Bone" to hang up in the library! Keep on reading!

DON'T MISS OUT - Children's Videos are being shown at the Lowell Public Library every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 PM.

HAVE A HAPPY 4TH OF

July



"BOOK FAIR"

Friends of the Lowell Library held their annual children's Book Fair, June 15, 16 & 17. Proceeds from the sale were used to purchase approximately one hundred children's and young adult paper-back books to be placed in the children's collection of the Shelby branch.

Schneider branch was the recipient of last years proceeds.

Our "Friends" continue to be a vital support group to the library.

Many thanks!

