AUGUST 2000

Last Stop for Reading Train

Over 500 children climbed aboard the "Reading Railroad" to become club members in the two-month long Summer Reading Club Program at the library and its Shelby and Schneider branches. During the length of the program, thousands upon thousands of books were checked out or read in the library by the young club members.

During the first week of August, club members will celebrate their reading efforts with a "Grand Finale" Carnival, filled with games, food and fun. At the carnival, members will receive their record books documenting each and every book they read. The Friends of the Library gave their support to the Reading Program by donating \$1,050 to the Children's Department and over \$500 in new books for the Children's Collection.

Summer Thoughts

Summers are for relaxing, exploring, traveling, picnicking, tending to our yards, coming into the library to catch up on our browsing, and not worrying about deadlines. However, just like summers that must eventually come to an end, so too does a unique opportunity for receiving a bonus for helping your library.

The Lowell Public Library Endowment Fund (LPLEF) is affiliated with the Legacy Foundation of Lake County. Through this partnership people who donate funds to the Lowell Public Library Endowment Fund **before September 1, 2000**, will have our donations matched \$1.00 for every \$2.00 donated. Think about it—you donate \$50, the library receives \$75; you donate \$500, the library receives \$750; you donate \$1000, the library receives \$1500, and so forth by progression. Now how many money-making offers like that have you received this summer?

Your gift to the LPLEF will remain FOREVER in the endowment, with only the interest on your gift being used. This is the whole concept of an endowment fund. The principal amount is held for perpetuity, as in "FOREVER." Interest is earned on the aggregate amount of gifts and can be used at the discretion of the Endowment and Lowell Public Library Boards to help with the unmet needs of the Lowell Public Library.

Gifts, large or small, may be in the form of cash, securities, property, or even as co-beneficiaries of insurance policies. (Contact your tax or financial advisor for information on tax advantages to this charitable donation.) You may give on behalf of yourself, or as a memorial to a loved one.

Of course, you may donate anytime; however, the opportunity to maximize your contribution expires **September 1, 2000**, just 20 days before the end of summer! Yes, all good things must come to an end, if only temporarily.

Contact Library Director Francine Shreffler for further details at 696-7704.



Adult Programs

Book Discussion-Tuesdays With Morrie - Lowell

Thursday, August 3, at 7 PM or Friday, August 4, at 10 AM.

Morrie is a dying man, but in his final days, with humor and wisdom, he mentors a young man, teaching him the importance of living life robustly and fully.

Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

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

Fit Forever - Lowell

Each Monday: August 7, 14, 21, 28
Each Wednesday: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Each Friday: August 4, 11, 18, 25
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Join a fitness program that includes low impact aerobics as well as toning and strengthening exercises. Call the Lowell Parks Department at 696-1570 to register and for fee information.

CPR Course Offered - Lowell

Monday, August 7, at 6 PM

An American Heart Association Adult/Child/Infant CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) Course. The fee for health care providers seeking renewal of their CPR certification is \$25. The general public can take the Heart Saver Course for a fee of \$15. CPR instructors Katherine Misiora, R.N., and Leon Misiora, E.M.T.-P, will conduct the course.

Blood Pressure Screening

Shelby - Thursday, August 10, 9 AM - 10:30 AM Screening is offered as a service of HouseCalls Lowell - Tuesday, August 15, 1 PM - 4 PM Screening is conducted on a first come, first served basis by technicians of CareGivers Plus.

Mid-West Writers' Forum - Lowell

Thursdays, August 10 & 24, at 7 PM. Join the Mid-West Writers' Forum and share your writings with other members. Call Tom Spencer at 696-3338.

Announcing! The Gardening Series



Welcome to the Gardening Series sponsored by the library and the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service. The gardening programs will be held the 4th Monday of each month. Pre-register for any of these free programs and become an outdoor expert!

August 28, 2000

Lawn Maintenance - Stan Sims How to have the best lawn in the neighborhood

September 25, 2000

Ornamental Grasses - Plum Creek Nursery - Ruth Tamminga

October 23, 2000

Putting the Garden to Bed

November 13, 2000 * Note - this is the 2nd Monday Crafts - Perennial Harvest

January 22, 2001

Winter Interest - Taltree Estates - Jim Hitz

February 26, 2001

Roses - Karl Bapst the Rosenut, Master Gardener, Rosarian

March 26, 2001

Garden Ponds - Crystal Palace Perennials - Greg Speichert

April 23, 2001

Landscaping

May 21, 2001 * Note this is the 3rd Monday Planning a Perennial Bed - Georgia Keith - Master Gardener

June 25, 2001

Daylilies - Coburg Planting Fields - Philip Brockington

July 23, 2001

Wildlife Control - Stan Sims

Pre-register for programs: Call the library at 696-7704, the Schneider Branch at 552-1000 and the Shelby Branch at 552-0809

Meeting

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

GRAND FINALE CARNIVAL!

For all members of the Summer Reading Club!

Join the Activities! Bozo Buckets, Sack Races, Candy Walk, Bean Bag Toss, and Face Painting



Featuring Old Country Buffet's

"The Bee"

presenting the

Eager Reader Award



"The Bee" will share balloons, coloring sheets, hotdogs, popcorn, and Kool-aid with club members.

Schneider Branch LibraryTuesday, August 1 at 10:30 AM

Lowell Public LibraryWednesday, August 2 at 10:30 AM

Shelby Branch LibraryThursday, August 3 at 10:30 AM



YA Winner Walks the Boardwalk

YA (Young adult) players of the game of Monopoly met on June 30 at the Lowell Public Library for a Monopoly tournament. The first games were played, boys against the girls.

The top two winners from that game went on to the finals. The first prize winner was Erin Cataldi, winning the Millennium Monopoly game. Second prize went to Jim Owens who won a \$10 gift certificate to Threads.

Free Immunizations

The Lake County Health Department will offer free childhood immunizations at the Lowell Public Library on Thursday, August 17, from 9 AM to 3 PM.

The free service is offered by the Lake County Health Department. Please bring your child's immunization records. Immunizations are held in the Library Program Room.

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YA Giant Back-To-School Sale

Let the members of the Young Adult (YA) Library Advisory Board prepare your children to return to school with a wardrobe of jeans, jackets, shirts, sweaters, dresses, coats and caps. Enjoy two full days of shopping for children's wear in the library's Program Room on Thursday, August 17, and Saturday August 19, from 9 AM to 3 PM.

If you are looking for children's books and toys stop in and take a look at all the offerings at the sale at bargain basement prices. Also on the sale menu are tasty baked goods the YA's have prepared for your enjoyment.

Donations for the sale are being taken. Any items can be dropped off at the circulation desk. Proceeds from the sale will be used to buy special materials for the library's YA collection.



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