



# Lowell Library Lines



SEPTEMBER 2000



## A Good Friend Passes On

Recently the Tri-Creek community lost one of its finest community leaders. And, with the passing of Alice Van Nada, the Lowell Public Library lost a good friend who served the library for many years.

Believing that the library could be the center of activity for the town Alice worked tirelessly on its behalf. During her tenure as a library board trustee, she founded the Friends of the Library with now retired Library Director, Janet Granger. For five years Alice chaired the Lowell Arts and Craft Festival sponsored by the Friends.

Alice was recognized for these and her many other civic contributions to the community in 1982 when she was named Person of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce.

Alice loved the Lowell Library and sought to make it the best library a community could wish for. Gifts to the Friends of the Library and to the Library Endowment Fund in memory of Alice have been received. She would be pleased to know others understand how important a library is to a community and to life-long learning.

For those of us who were fortunate to know Alice, her kindness to others and her friendship will always be remembered.

## City/Town

Residents of the Tri-Creek area are invited to a meeting to discuss the Town of Lowell's City/Town status at the Lowell Public Library on Saturday, September 16, at 10 AM. Lowell Councilwoman Karen Brooker and Merrillville Councilman Rick Bella will conduct the informal, informative meeting.

## An Evening With Mark Twain



Step back in time to the late 1800's. Meet "Mark Twain," America's beloved author, lecturer and humorist. Samuel Langhorne Clemens, best known as Mark Twain, will come to life at the Lowell Public Library on Thursday, September 28, at 7 PM. Characterized by Impersonator Warren Brown, "Mark Twain" will entertain you with his humorous monologues on a variety of subjects.

*The Jumping Frogs of Calaveras County, The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Life on the Mississippi, A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court and Huckleberry Finn*, are among the most popular classic stories created by Twain. Twain's *Huckleberry Finn* continues to be on a list of banned books. Warren Brown will perform "An Evening With Mark Twain" during Banned Book Week, September 23-29. Refreshments will be served. Pre-register by calling the library at 696-7704.

### Twain Quotations

When an audience do not complain, it is a compliment, & when they do it is a compliment, too, if unaccompanied by violence.

Letter to George W. Cable, Jan. 15, 1883

Classic- a book which people praise and don't read.  
- Pudd'nhead Wilson's New Calendar

## Free Childhood Immunizations

The Lake County Health Department will offer free childhood immunizations at the Lowell Public Library on Thursday, September 21, from 9 AM to 3 PM. The free service is offered by the Lake County Health Department.





## Adult Programs

### **Book Discussion-*The Testament* - Lowell**

Friday, Sept. 1, at 10 AM or

Thursday, Sept. 7, at 7 PM

John Grisham's bestseller, *The Testament* will be the subject of a lively and informal discussion. Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk.

*The Testament* is a novel of a dying man's will, his greedy relatives and the search for his missing heir who is working somewhere in the deepest jungles of Brazil.

### **Library Quilters Meet - Lowell**

Each Monday: Sept. 11, 18, 25

9 AM - 12:30 PM

Bring your quilting projects.

### **Fit Forever - Lowell**

Each Monday: Sept. 11, 18, 25

Each Wednesday: Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27

Each Friday: Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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.

### **Julie Duttlinger's Basket Classes**

#### **Weave a Paper Plate Basket - Lowell**

Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 8:30 AM

Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 6:30 PM

Fee is \$21

**Note:** Basket Classes at the Shelby Branch will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 6 PM and Thursday, Sept. 21, at 9 AM. Call 552-0809 for more information.

### **Blood Pressure Screening**

**Shelby** - Thursday, Sept. 14, 9 AM - 10:30 AM

Screening is offered as a service of HouseCalls

**Lowell** - Tuesday, Sept. 19, 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, Sept. 14 & 28 at 7 PM.

Join the Mid-West Writers' Forum and share your writings with other members. Call Tom Spencer at 696-3338.

### **Indoor Plant Exchange - Lowell**

Thursday, Sept. 14, at 7 PM

Join Master Gardener and Reference Librarian Darlene for a indoor plant and/or flower pot exchange and discussion on the care and feeding of indoor plants.

### **Ornamental Grasses - Lowell**

Monday, Sept. 25, 2000

Promptly at 7 PM - 8:30 PM

Ruth Tamminga of Plum Creek Nursery will describe some of the many kinds of native and exotic grasses you can grow in this area.

### **An Evening With Mark Twain - Lowell**

Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 PM

Spend an evening with one of America's most beloved authors and storytellers, Mark Twain as characterized by Warren Brown. Brown, a student of Twain since third grade, brings to life this colorful man with the cigar and white suit, with his humorous monologs on just about everything.

## Meetings

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on Monday, September 18, at 7 PM.

The Friends of the Library will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday, September 20, at 7 PM.

### **YA'S**

#### **Learn the Craft of Soapmaking**

**10 AM**

**Saturday, Sept. 30  
(for grades 6 & up)**

**Fee is \$8**

The class is taught by Vicki Lindsey  
Pre-register by calling 696-7704





## Reading Train

There was more than reading books for the over 600 members of this year's "All Aboard the Reading Railroad" Summer Reading Club Program at the Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches. There was friendship too! For library staff, interacting with the young club members, helping to make the children feel at home in the library and encouraging their reading efforts, it was truly a pleasure.

At the end of the two-month long program club members had read a total of 25,245 books. Children recorded the titles of the books they read during the program and received a booklet of their reading accomplishments on the last day of the program.

During the long reading program, club members at the Lowell Public Library enjoyed the exciting performance of the parade horses of the Quirarte family of Mi Ranchito Restaurant. Dr. Herbert Hardwick of the Hebron Animal Hospital brought his wild animal family to the Shelby and Schneider Branches. The Horgash Pupeeteers were a hit with the crowd! Club members enjoyed other activities too: walking the Book Walk to receive a book to put in their home library, playing Railroad Bingo, and creating personal "Reading Railroad" trains.

The "Grand Finale" Carnival was a lively event with club members racing from game to game, playing the bingo toss, the candy walk, the bean bag toss, Bozo buckets and the rubber tip dart game. Library staff members Mary Braun and Rachel Engels put their artistic talents to work at the face painting booth, drawing butterflies and other whimsical designs on the faces of club members.

Although the Reading Club Program is over for another year, the colorful Railroad motif on the walls surrounding the Children's area will remain for many months to come for the enjoyment of the children.

## Movie Mania

Enjoy a movie marathon! At the Shelby and Schneider branches patrons can check out six videos on Thursday, August 31, and return them on Tuesday, September 5. Patrons can check out six videos on Friday, September 1, at the main library and return them on Tuesday, September 5.

**Note:** The library will resume Sunday hours on Sunday, September 10, from 1 PM to 5 PM.

### Newly arrived videos include:

<i>The Sixth Sense</i>	<i>All Creatures Great and Small</i>
<i>Runaway Bride</i>	<i>Vol 1 &amp; 2</i>
<i>Chill Factor</i>	<i>Arthur's Scary Stories</i>
<i>The Astronaut's Wife</i>	<i>The Flintstones Stone Age</i>
<i>Erin Brockovich</i>	<i>Adventure</i>
<i>Stir of Echoes</i>	<i>Rugrats Discover America</i>
<i>Winter's End</i>	<i>Rainbow Fish: Fantastic</i>
<i>The Love Letter</i>	<i>Friends</i>
<i>The Mighty</i>	<i>Franklin in the Dark</i>
<i>Elizabeth</i>	<i>Discover Spot</i>
<i>My Dog Skip</i>	<i>The Berenstain Bears Forget</i>
<i>Bats</i>	<i>Their Manners</i>
<i>The Thomas Crown</i>	<i>The Berenstain Bears Vol. 5</i>
<i>Affair</i>	<i>Mary Kate &amp; Ashley School</i>
<i>The General's Daughter</i>	<i>Dance Party</i>
<i>Double Jeopardy</i>	<i>Buzz Lightyear of Star</i>
<i>Life</i>	<i>Command</i>
<i>Standing in the Light</i>	<i>The Mouse and the</i>
<i>The 13th Warrior</i>	<i>Motorcycle</i>

## Visit Our Web Site

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

There is always something new on the library's web site. We update our pages on a daily basis.

If you like to garden or are interested in becoming a master gardener, a new web page, **Gardening Series**, can be accessed through our home page. Click on **Library Information** to learn about all the upcoming gardening programs the library has scheduled. The programs are sponsored by the library and Purdue Cooperative Extension Service.





**Back to School  
Craft Corner**

Pre-schoolers attending Miss Heidi's Craft Corner will create cotton ball Pandas to decorate their rooms. School age children will make beautiful butterfly bookmarks.

Craft Corner hours are:

**Lowell** - Thursday, September 7  
Pre-schoolers - 10 AM  
School age - 3:30 PM

**Schneider** - Thursday, Sept. 14  
Both Crafts - 3:30 PM

**Shelby** - Thursday, September 21  
Pre-schoolers - 3:30 PM  
Thursday, September 28  
School age children - 3:30 PM



**Story Time  
Adventures**

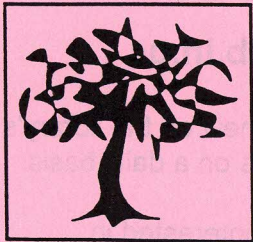
Miss Heidi will introduce children to picture books and easy readers. At Story Time, children will also enjoy learning a finger-play game and a song to sing together. Story Time is designed to start children, ages 3 to 5 years, on the path of life-long reading.

**Shelby** - Each Monday at 9:30 AM  
September 18 - October 24

**Lowell** - Each Tuesday at 10 AM & 1:30 PM  
September 19 - October 24  
Each Wednesday at 10 AM  
September 20 - October 25

**Schneider** - Each Thursday, at 9:30 AM  
September 21 - October 26

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



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