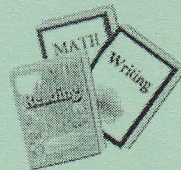




Lowell Library Lines

September 2006



Summer Readers Soar

In a computer world it's good to make note that children still love to cozy up and read a good book. Over 570 children did just that during the two-month long "Solve Mysteries by Reading" Summer Reading Club Program at the Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches.

From the first day pre-schoolers and school age children, grades K – 5, poured into the library to register as a Reading Club member and enjoy the Reading Club Kick-Off Cookout of free hot dogs and soda, the numbers of club members kept rising. Volunteers, young adults, in grades 6-12, helped the library during the program by registering new club members in the Children's Room.

A variety of activities kept the club members hopping. They enjoyed creating Mancala games, constructing a pond for their "designer frogs," and winning books at the Book Walk. At the "Magnifying Glass Activity" club members had the opportunity to not only examine many common items magnified, but were given magnifying glasses to keep for exploration for the remainder of the summer. Cooking turned out to be very popular with the club members who made corn dogs and made their initials in pizzas. Games of skill and chance were played at the mini-carnival at all locations with prizes for everyone. Club members challenged themselves vying for the inflatable princess wands and Rubik's cubes.

The finale program featuring the magic of Steve Belliveau was wildly entertaining and attended by over 200. After the show the audience was allowed to meet the animals up close including two rabbits and a dove. Quack the Duck was the overwhelming crowd favorite. He stole the show!

Children's Programmer, Mrs. Denise Mayhew, is proud of the young club members who read 10,020 single books and 19,221 chapters during the reading club program. "That is quite an amazing accomplishment," said Mrs. Mayhew. "I am very pleased with the excitement and interest the children exhibited, both in reading and in the activities offered during the reading program. Many local teachers who visited the library were pleased to learn of their students reading accomplishments." Mrs. Mayhew is already hard at work planning next year's reading club surprises. "It's great fun working with the children and sharing my love of reading with the many families I met this summer, and I hope to continue to see the many readers throughout the year."

Senior Ice Cream Social

Bring your friends to play some Library Bingo for "your choice" of novelty prizes Thursday, September 21, at 11 AM. Play "Over the Hill" Bingo. Then enjoy our tasty ice cream sundaes with all the trimmings. Co-sponsored by the Lowell Parks Department, call 696-1570 to register.

All Day Scrapbooking at Schneider Branch

If you like scrapbooking and would like a day off from cooking dinner, join others at the branch library for some nifty scrapbooking and dinner on us on Saturday, September 9, 10 AM to 10 PM. We'll have some materials for you to work with too!



Turf Building Bulb Trade

Is your landscape looking tired? Give your outdoor area a face lift. Come to Turf Building, presented by Lake County Extension Educator Stan Sims at the library on Monday, September 25, at 7 PM.

Bring bulbs to trade with others after the program. Master Gardeners can achieve additional training hours by attending any of the library's gardening programs, co-sponsored by Purdue Cooperative Extension Service.

Games & Movies

Kids, play chess or board games at the Shelby Branch Thursday at 6 PM. And remember! Each Saturday, at 12 Noon is Kids' Movie Day.

YA's Sizzling Summer of Reading

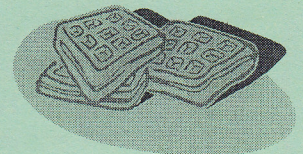
Temperatures may have soared during the summer but so did the reading efforts of the participants of the YA Reading Contest. Young adults, 145 strong, from grades 6-12, read 875 books during the two-month long contest. Prizes were drawn each week during the contest. Nice job!

YA Rummage Sale a Bonanza

At the three-day August YA (Young Adult) Rummage Sale shoppers didn't have to look hard for bargains. From toys to crafts, adult and child clothes, exercise equipment, crafts, household items, furniture, games and more, shoppers came, bought, and came back for more. When the sale was over the YA Department had raised over \$1200 that will be used by the library to fund YA programs and materials, books, CD's, etc., for the YA collection.

"I'd like to thank to all the young adults who helped make the 'Back to School Rummage Sale' a success by working to man the sale booth, or helping to advertise the sale," said Debbie Blink, Young Adult Programmer. "I also wanted to express my sincere appreciation to all the people of the Tri-Creek community who donated items for the sale to benefit the young adults of our area."

Waffle Day



Get a library card and enjoy waffles, juice and coffee on us. During September's

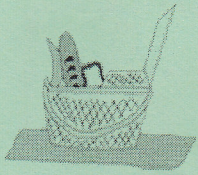
National Library Card Month the Young Adult Department of the library is launching the "waffle" campaign to encourage people of all ages to use their library. Come in on Saturday, September 2, between 8 AM - 12:45 PM to apply for a library card and enjoy your brunch.

YA Activities

Get on the list for YA activities for Young Adults grades 6-12. Game night is held on Thursdays at 6:30 PM. Call 696-7704 for game dates.

Kid's Craft Hour

Kids of all ages attending Craft Corner at the Schneider Branch Library will make a fall decoration for their room on Tuesday, September 12, at 4 PM. Call 552-1000.



Adult Programs

Adult Card Games - Schneider

Thursday, September 7 & 21 at 3 PM
Join others for some lively card games at the branch library.

All Day Scrapbooking - Schneider

Saturday, September 9, 10 AM to 10 PM
Scrapbooking lovers can enjoy a free dinner and enjoy a full day of scrapbooking. Please call ahead.

CPR for Health Care Providers -

Lowell Saturday, September 9, at 9 AM
Registered Nurse and Nursing Education Coordinator, Teresa Sargent, will teach the American Heart Association Course. Fee is \$40 due upon registration.

Library Quilters Meet - Lowell

Each Monday, September 11, 18, 25 at 9 AM
Bring your quilting projects.

Blood Pressure Testing - Shelby

Monday, September 11, 10:30 AM - 12 Noon
Testing is offered on a first come/first basis.

Adult Book Discussion - Shelby

Monday, September 11, at 5:30 PM
Read and share your views of the haunting *Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl*. Pick up a copy at the circulation desk.

Learn Tatting - Lowell

Tuesday, September 12, at 6 PM
Looking to learn a new craft? Join the Library Tatters! Cherie Whybrew will teach you the technique of making handmade lace. Bring a small shuttle.

Entertainment Books On Sale

Save while having fun! How? Get your 2007 *Entertainment Book* at the circulation desk and enjoy discounts from hundreds of dining, entertainment, and service businesses. The books are \$20 each and are a Friends of the Library Fundraiser. So step up to the circulation desk and get your book now. They make great holiday gifts.

Adult Craft Night - Shelby

Monday, September 18, at 5 PM
Bring your craft projects to work on with others. Refreshments are served.

Acrylic Painting - Lowell

Tuesday, September 19, at 9:30 AM
Re-create the lovely painting "Island Sunset" with Artist Pat Mahns. Fee is \$13 due upon registration.

Basket Weaving Classes - Lowell

Tuesday, September 19, at 6 PM
The basket class will be repeated on Tuesday, September 26.

Blood Pressure/Sugar Test - Lowell

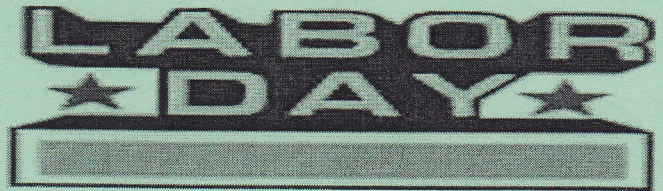
Wednesday, September 20, 9 to 11 AM
Blood pressure and sugar (glucose) screening is offered by technicians of the Clinical Management Services.

Senior Ice Cream Social - Lowell

Thursday, September 21, at 11 AM
Play Library Bingo and enjoy ice cream sundaes. Call co-sponsor, Lowell Parks Dept. at 696-1570 to pre-register.

Adult Book Group - Lowell

Wednesday, September 27, at 6:30 PM
Join the Adult Book Group and give your own reviews of the selection of the month. September's book is *Prodigal Summer* by Barbara Kingsolver. Pick up a copy at the circulation desk.



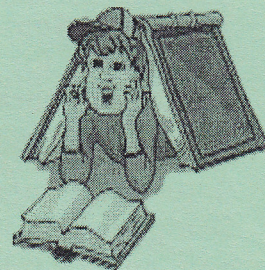
Holiday Closing

In observance of Labor Day the library and its Shelby and Schneider Branches will be closed on Monday, September 4. The libraries will resume regular hours on Tuesday, September 5.

Video Special

Check out six videos at the library or its Shelby or Schneider branches on Thursday, August 31, and return them on Tuesday, September 5 before 9 AM.

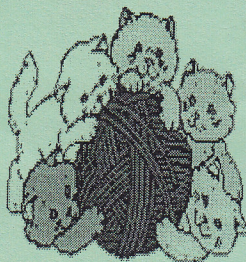
Just for Kids



Story Time Begins

Story Time is a six-week program for children ages 4 and 5. As Story Time Children's Programmer, Mrs. Denise Mayhew, will introduce children to picture books, music and activities. Children can also enjoy interacting with other children their age at Story Time. Each session is 30 to 40 minutes. Story Time at the Shelby Branch Library will be held each Monday at 10:30 AM, September 11, 18 and 25, and October 2, 9, and 16. Pre-register by calling the Shelby Branch at 552-0809. At the Lowell Public Library Story Time will be held each Tuesday at 10 AM, September 12, 19, and 26 and October 3, 10 & 17. Pre-register by calling the library at 696-7704. Space is limited.

September Craft Corner



Kid's, come make a fun craft. The Lowell Public Library will hold Craft Corner for pre-schoolers thru 5th grade on Thursday, September 14. Children can enjoy the morning session at 10 AM or the afternoon session at 3:30 PM. Space is limited. Pre-register by calling the library at 696-7704.



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