

# LOWELL LIBRARY LINES

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## "FOCUS ON THE FUTURE"

Change comes as no stranger to the Tri-Creek area. New homes continue to dot the landscape, new businesses have appeared, and plans are in the making for a new Oak Hill School and Lowell Police Department.

This year the theme for the 74th Annual Labor Day Celebration is "Focus On The Future". The theme has special meaning for the Friends of the Library this year. The new Lowell Public Library will be opening its doors and welcoming a year of change!

Library Friends invite you to visit their "Focus On The Future" booth on Sunday, Sept. 5 and Monday, Sept. 6 at the Lowell Labor Day Celebration. The booth, located on Mill Street, will highlight special features of the new building and the many materials, services and programs the library offers.

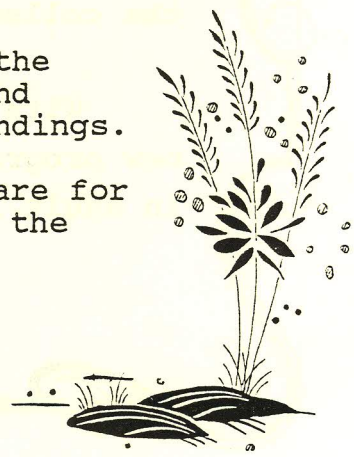


## A PROGRESSIVE LOOK

Finishing touches are being completed on the new library. Workmen are laying the beautiful new carpeting that will set the tone for a warm and pleasant atmosphere. Some of the new furniture has arrived. Sturdy tables and chairs will be available for future use by researchers and students. Comfortable chairs, upholstered in fashionable fabric, will be located throughout the main area of the library for patrons' use, and shelving will soon be assembled to await the move of the materials from the library on Fremont Street. A public announcement system is being installed and the trim on the building's study rooms is being completed.

On the library site, landscapers are preparing the grounds for sod and the planting of several shrubs and bushes that will enhance the beautiful wooded surroundings.

Library staff are anxious to settle in and prepare for opening day, tentatively set for mid-October. Watch the newspaper for exact dates.





## A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR LITERACY

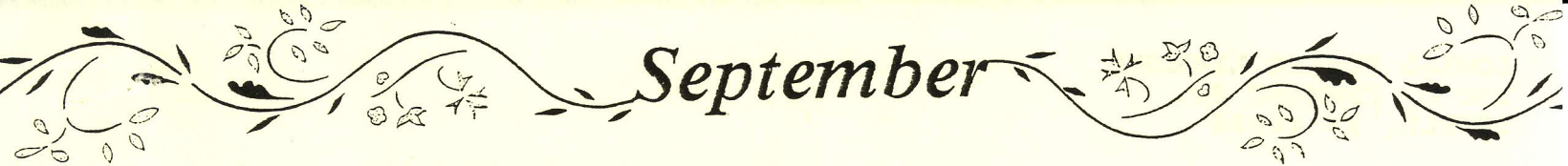
The future of the Lowell Public Library Literacy Program is looking bright as the program receives \$34,939.00 funding through the Federal Library Services and Construction Act Title VI grant with in-house matching funds in the amount of \$16,132.00 for the up-coming year. Wonderful new additions can be expected as the program expands to address the needs of family literacy and basic computer skills.

New to the program will be a year-round family literacy program beginning with a pilot program, working with the parents of Head Start children, ages 3-4. In late September, parents of Head Start children will take part in a three-part parenting program entitled, "Parents: The Child's First Teacher" offered at the South County Community Services Center. With the assistance of tutors, coordinators, and teachers, parents will take an active role in creating a love of reading through play, story telling, and by demonstrating good reading behaviors. In January, the library will be offering this program to parents with children enrolled in storytime.

Monies provided through this grant will allow for the purchase of additional resources for both student and tutor. New computers will be added to study areas, equipped with learning software for reading, phonics, and computer education. Additional training in basic computer skills will also become a part of the program. Our ever-successful migrant and ESL programs will receive additional bilingual materials to expand the collection begun in the previous year.

With this new funding help, the future holds great hope for new programs and the continued success of our existing programs in adult literacy tutoring.





# September

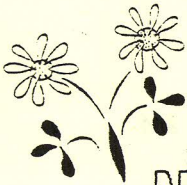
## DID YOU KNOW?

The Lowell Labor Day Parade is the oldest parade in the state of Indiana? The parade will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, Sept. 6 (Labor Day) and will begin at the Lowell Senior High School and continue on Commercial Avenue to the American Legion. Lowell resident and businessman, John Costas is this year's Grand Marshall.

The Labor Day Organization also named Ruth Dunn Citizen of the Year for her work on behalf of her community. Dunn has served on the Labor Day Committee since 1968.

Other highlights of the celebration are a family oriented carnival held Friday, Sept. 3, through Monday, Sept. 6, and a kiddy parade which will be held on Sunday, Sept. 5 at 1 PM.

Look for the Friends' booth on Sunday and Monday.



## DRAWING TO BENEFIT BRANCH

A special Friends of the Library drawing will be held at the Shelby Branch Library on Monday, Dec. 6.

A charming Christmas caroler lampost, tole painted by Becky Clinton, will decorate the home of the lucky winner. Proceeds from the drawing will be used to benefit the Shelby Branch.

Tickets may be purchased from a Friends member or at the Lowell Library and its branches.

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Sept. 13 - Monday - SHELBY ONLY NEWSPAPER BASKET

Learn to make a newspaper basket with Julie Duttlinger at the Shelby Branch Library. Come join in the fun at 6:00 PM. Please call the Shelby Branch at 552-0809 to register.

### Sept. 15 - Wednesday FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETING

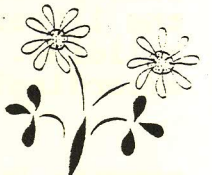
The Friends of the Lowell Public Library will hold their monthly meeting at 7:00 PM in the library's Community Room.

### Sept. 20 - Monday LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting at 7:30 PM following a joint meeting of the Leasing Corporation at 6:30 PM and an executive meeting at 7:00 PM.

## LABOR DAY CLOSING

The Lowell Public Library and its branches will be closed on Sept. 6 in observation of the Labor Day holiday. Library hours will resume at the regular time on Tuesday, Sept. 7.



## LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

The Lowell Public Library has a set tentative closing date of Sept. 25 - Oct. 10 with a re-opening date of Oct. 11, at 9:00 AM in the new building.



LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY  
250 N. FREMONT ST.  
LOWELL, IN 46356



'Tis the good reader that makes the good book.

Ralph Waldo Emerson 1803-1882

## STORYTIME IS HERE !



At Story Time, children 3-5 years of age have opportunities to hear wonderful stories, learn songs and make new friends. To register your child call the Lowell Public Library or the Schneider or Shelby branch.

The Fall session of Story Time will have a two week pause for the Lowell and Schneider members. At the Shelby branch there will be a one week pause. The pauses are due to the library moving into the new building. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

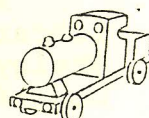
**LOWELL:** Tuesdays-10:00 AM & 1:30 PM  
Sept. 7, 14, 21  
Oct. 12, 19, 26

Wednesdays-10:00 AM & 1:30 PM  
Sept. 8, 15, 22  
Oct. 13, 20, 27

**SHELBY:** Mondays - 9:30 AM  
Sept. 13, 20, 27  
Oct. 4, 18, 25

**SCHNEIDER:** Thursdays - 9:30 AM  
Sept. 9, 16, 23  
Oct. 14, 21, 28

## CRAFT SCHEDULE



**LOWELL:** Thursday, Sept. 9  
10:00 AM - Pre-schoolers  
3:30 PM - School-age

**SHELBY:** Thursday, Sept. 23  
3:30 PM - Pre-schoolers  
Thursday, Sept. 30  
4:00 PM - School-age

**SCHNEIDER:** Thursday, Sept. 16  
3:30 PM - FOR BOTH AGES