



Lowell Library Lines

February 2021

Lowell Public Library
1505 East Commercial
Lowell, IN 46356
phone 696-7704
fax 696-5280
www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

Temporary Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 11 AM-6 PM
Fri.- Sat. 11 AM-3 PM

Schneider Branch
24002 Parrish Ave.
Schneider, IN 46376
552-1000

Temporary Hours

Mon. CLOSED
Tues. & Thurs. 4-7 PM
Wed. CLOSED
Fri. CLOSED
Sat. 9 AM-1 PM

Shelby Branch
23323 Shelby Rd
Shelby, IN 46377
552-0809

Temporary Hours

Mon. CLOSED
Tues & Thurs. 2-5 PM
Wed. CLOSED
Fri. CLOSED
Sat. 10 AM-1 PM

For Kids this Month



Online Story Time with Miss Jackie

Join Miss Jackie on Thursday, February 4 and 18 on our YouTube channel for Virtual Story Time.

Fun Winter Crafts



This month we have two crafts! Make a Valentine mouse and a pipe cleaner snowflake! Craft kits for mouse will be available the week of February 8, kits for the snowflake will be available February 22. Call for curbside pick up or come in and ask for one at the front desk. Miss Jackie will have video instructions available those weeks on our YouTube channel.

Young Adult Virtual Programs

Tune in every Wednesday to our YouTube channel for our Teen program hosted by Miss Hayley.

February 3 - String Art
February 10 - Board Game: Dominion
February 17 - Monochromatic Painting
February 24 - Reading Moment: Black Authors

Don't forget to check out our previous videos to see other book reviews, games, and craft ideas!



The large yellow sign located at the entrance to the library is posted to let young people of the community know that the library is a designated "Safe Place" and has been since 1994. Public institutions and businesses assist the Safe Place project in reaching out to young people who are seeking help from conflict in their home. The program offers easy access to services such as Alternative House, which provides shelter and counseling aimed at resolving family problems.

Safe Place is under the auspices of the Crisis Center, which is funded in part by the Indiana Department of Child Services, the Indiana Department of Education and the Lake County Division of Child Services.

For Adults in January

Check our YouTube channel for crafts (some offering free craft kits), recipes, computer tips and tricks, and other educational programs geared toward adults.

Abe, Mary & Robert Todd: The Lincoln Family Legacy

While much is written about the enormous impact of Abraham Lincoln on the history of Illinois, the contributions of his wife and oldest son are sometimes overlooked. In this program, we explore the Lincoln Family Legacy in the state, from Abe's arrival as a young man in 1830 to Robert Todd's departure for Vermont and Washington DC in 1911.



Abraham Lincoln came to Illinois at 21 to assist his father and step-mother in their relocation to Coles County near Decatur. He then set about becoming the prototype of the self-made man, learning the skills of oratory and debate, teaching himself the skills of surveying, and studying law books to pursue a legal career. During 30 years in politics he lost in a popular vote only once and was instrumental in forming the Republican Party in Illinois.

Mary Todd Lincoln was an educated young lady from a well-to-do family, and as the Lincoln family grew she managed their home and engaged in spirited conversations with her husband. Mr. Lincoln relied on her intellect and knowledge as he formed his political policy positions.

Robert Todd Lincoln was the oldest of the Lincoln children, and the only one to live a full, long life. After attending Harvard and joining the Army in the final year of the Civil War, Robert moved to Chicago with his mother and completed his education. He went into law practice in the city, and then went on to be a legal counsel and later President of the Pullman Company. In *Abe, Mary, and Robert Todd*, we will see that there is more than one important person sharing this famous surname.

Presented by author David Clark, this YouTube presentation will be available for **TWO WEEKS ONLY**, Sunday, February 14-28. The link to this event will be posted on our Facebook page a few days prior to start date.

AARP Tax Aide

Free tax preparation, for low-income (up to 40,000), disabled or retired individuals will be offered by AARP volunteers beginning on Monday, February 1. You **MUST** be a resident of the Tri-Creek area (Cedar, Eagle or West Creek) to register. Tax appointments will be curbside drop-off/pick-up only. NO tax appointments will be held inside the library. Please stay in your car and an AARP volunteer will come out to you. Appointment slots will fill up fast- call now!

Tax Forms

Free Federal tax forms are located opposite the public copier in the reference area. Please take only one of each form you need. You can make copies if you need more than one copy of any form.

Unfortunately, Indiana forms are not being printed this year, they are only available online. Ask at the reference desk and we can print out the forms you need at 10¢ cost per page. Since we are often working on several requests at once, please leave us a list of what you need and we will call you when your order is ready to be picked up.

If you have a computer at home, you can get your Federal forms online at <https://www.irs.gov> and Indiana forms at <https://www.in.gov/dor/>.

\$2 Bag Book Sale

Get some great bargains on the last Saturday of each month at our Friends of the Library used book sale. Books are only \$2.00 a bag! Bring your own bag or purchase one of our *Love Lowell Library* reusable tote bags. Our plastic bear and/or dog bags (\$1.00 each) can also be used for the sale.

COVID-19: What We Are Doing to Keep You Safe

- Curbside service is still available by request.
- Beginning February 1, we will no longer have time restrictions (except for public computer use).
- Newspapers can be read daily. Magazines can be read in the library or checked out.
- Masks are required and all social distancing guidelines must be followed.
- “Stand Here” X’s have been placed throughout the library and plastic shields have been installed at our reference and circulation desks.
- Tutoring/small group space is not available.
- Print/Copy/Scan/Fax services is available, however due to social distancing guidelines, they are self service only. Printing/Copying is limited to 50 pages per day.
- Computer usage is limited to 1/2 hour per day and machines are sanitized between use. Staff cannot provide "over the shoulder" assistance as we will be maintaining recommended distancing. Please bring someone with you if you think you will need technical help.
- All materials must be returned to the OUTSIDE book drop only. Items are quarantined before being put back into circulation.
- Because of limited staff, it is not possible to ensure that bathrooms and other common surface areas are sanitized at all times; please act accordingly.
- All programs for children, teens, and adults will continue to be enjoyed virtually. Subscribe to our YouTube channel. Crafts, cooking, history programs, and story time are among some of the topics you can explore and learn from!
- Study and meeting rooms and some furniture will not be available to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Remaining furniture has been rearranged to promote social distancing.

**NO MASKS
NO ENTRY
NO EXCEPTIONS! ***

In response to current COVID conditions and in order to keep our patrons and staff safe, you absolutely must wear a mask over your nose and mouth while you are in the library. If you are unable to wear a mask, we would gladly set you up to use our Curbside service - we bring items right to your car!

Other resources available to you include:

- Outdoor FREE Wi-Fi
- Downloadable and Streamed materials
- Online educational databases
- Reference assistance via email (referenc@lowellpl.lib.in.us) or phone 696-7704

We appreciate the public’s patience during this time as we restore library service in varying stages. We look forward to welcoming the community back into our buildings and also to the day when we can restore full operations safely.

New Fiction Books:

The Children's Blizzard - Benjamin, Melanie
Spin- Cornwell, Patricia
This Time Next Year - Cousens, Sophie
Active Defense - Eason, Lynette
Twenty - Grippando, James
Under the Alaskan Ice - Harper, Karen
Missionaries - Klay, Phil
All the Colors of Night - Krentz, Jayne Ann
Across the Green Grass Fields - McGuire, Seanan
The House on Vesper Sands - O'Donnell, Paraic
The Forever Girl - Shalvis, Jill
Neighbors - Steel, Danielle
American Traitor - Taylor, Brad
Rescue You - Whisler, Elysia
How to Fail at Flirting - Williams, Denise



New Mysteries:

The Push - Audrain, Ashley
A Catered Book Club Murder - Crawford, Isis
Hush-Hush - Woods, Stuart
Wrong Alibi - Dodd, Christina
The Wrong Family - Fisher, Tarryn
Bone Canyon - Goldberg, Lee
The Wife Upstairs - Hawkins, Rachel
The Breaker - Petrie, Nicholas
The Scorpion's Tail - Preston, Douglas J.

New Non-Fiction Books:

15 Minute HIIT for Women
26.2 Miles to Happiness - Tonkinson, Paul
Anti-Inflammatory Diet - Morris, Artemis
Beekeeping - Blackiston, Howland
The Best of Me - Sedaris, David
Boosting Your Immunity - Warner, Wendy
The Church Recovery Guide - Vaters, Karl
Conscious Parenting - Plugarasu, Mihaela
Fishing for Dummies - Schwipps, Greg
Fitness for Everyone - Green, Louise
The Good Fight - Kramer, Jana
Great Pajama Jobs - Hannon, Kerry
Homeschooling for Dummies - Kaufeld, Jenny
How to Host a Game Night - Arneson, Erik
I Heart Soul Food - Mayes, Rosie
Investing for Dummies - Tyson, Eric
Live Your Best Life - Farrimon, Stuart
The Micro-Workout Plan -
Online Learning for Dummies - Manning, Susan
The Problem with Lincoln - DiLorenzo, Thomas J.
SAT For Dummies - Woldoff, Ron
Sewing Face Masks... - Herbertson, Angie
Sleep: Harness the Power - Hawker, Petra
Strength Training for Seniors - Wachner, Paige
Think for Yourself - Mansharamani, Vikram
Think Like a Monk - Shetty, Jay
Weight Training for Women - Noelle, Brittany
Witchcraft for Healing - Wigington, Patti

New on DVD:

The Big Ugly

Bill & Ted Face the Music

Blackbird

A Christmas Love Story

The Darkest Minds

Dolly Parton's Christmas of Many Colors - Circle of Love

The Great British Baking Show - Season 4-5

Hard Kill

Highway to Heaven Season 1-3

Made in Italy

Matlock Season 1-9

Misbehaviour

Mulan

The New Mutants

A Rainy Day in New York

Relic

The Rental

Rogue

Saved By the Bell Season 1-6

The Tax Collector

Tenet

True History of the Kelly Gang

Unhinged

The War with Grandpa

Words on Bathroom Walls

Xena, Warrior Princess Season 1-6

Yellowstone Season 3

Changes to DVD Policy for 2021

Beginning February 1, you will be allowed to place holds on DVDs (except new releases). In addition, we have expanded the amount of DVDs you can check out at one time AND the length of time you may borrow them for.

New Feature Films - 4 at a time for 3 days

TV Series and Older Films - 8 at a time for 7 days (plus 1 auto-renewal).

Non - Fiction - 4 at a time for 14 days (plus 1 auto-renewal).

That's a total of 16 DVDs you can take out with one trip to the library!

Renewals are automatic UNLESS someone has placed a hold on them. It is your responsibility to check on your own record.

We Are Always Open!

Did you know that you can access much of the library, even if the building is closed? Whether in your car in the parking lot or sitting at a table or on one of our benches outside, you can access our public Wi-Fi, and its FREE!

With your library card or an e-Card, you can download books, audio books, magazines and music through *Overdrive*, *HOOPLA* and *FREEGAL*. Streaming movies are available through *HOOPLA*. You can apply for an e-Card at our website by clicking on *Get A Library Card*.

Want to know more? Our library website <http://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/> is the place to start. You can learn over 60 new languages with *MANGO* Languages or you can explore the *World Book Encyclopedia*. Click on the *STREAMING* tab for *TumbleBooks Kids* or *ABC Audio*. Click on the *ABOUT* tab to learn about the library or Lowell History.

Our home page at our website has a direct link to the card catalog. Look around, find what you want and place a hold. Or just call us and we'll get it for you. You can even choose our curbside service!

There is also a link to subscribe to our new *YouTube Channel*! And click on the *Facebook* tab to "Like" us!

COFFEE & TEA FUNDRAISER

Stay warm with a hot drink!



**Friends Make
Programming Possible**

The Friends of the
Library are offering Coffee
and Tea for purchase!

Choose from 8 teas (loose-leaf)
& 12 different coffees
(ground, whole bean & single cup)

There are ½ lb. bags of coffee,
2 oz. bags of tea, or 10 single serve cups
for just \$15.

Stop by the library to place your order & pay.
Last day to place an order is Sat., Feb. 20th.
Items will be available for pick up Tues., Mar. 16th.

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Support programming at your library while also supporting local businesses:
Old Dog Coffee House & Maple City Roasters! *Thank you!*