



HOLIDAY HOURS

CLOSED
December 25
January 1

Lowell Public Library
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Lowell, IN 46356
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Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 9 AM-8 PM
Fri.- Sat. 9 AM-5 PM

Schneider Branch
24002 Parrish Ave.
Schneider, IN 46376
(219) 552-1000

Hours

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

Shelby Branch
23323 Shelby Rd
Shelby, IN 46377
(219) 552-0809

Hours

Mon.-Thurs 1 PM-6 PM
Fri. CLOSED
Sat. 9 AM-2 PM

Lowell Library Lines

December 2023

Santa Visits the Library

Saturday, December 2, 10:00-11:00 AM



Come join us to hear Santa read the classic story, *The Night Before Christmas*. While you are waiting your turn to talk to Santa, enjoy some fun holiday activities including a Build-A-Santa scavenger hunt. Bring your phone or camera to take pictures with Santa! This is a FREE event and no registration is required.

UFO Day (Unfinished Objects)

Saturday, Dec. 23, 9 AM - 3 PM.

Have you ever wished you had an ENTIRE day to yourself so that you could finish a project? And, you wouldn't have to do dishes, answer the phone or watch the kids, and could just dedicate yourself to your unfinished (or new) project without interruptions! Perhaps that project is a book, a model airplane, a hand-knitted baby blanket, or a 1,000-piece puzzle. Maybe all you need is a place to wrap gifts.

We have your solution! UFO Day at the library is dedicated to your 'UnFinished Objects'. Bring your lunch or snacks and you'll be able to work on whatever you want, here at the library, all day between the hours of 9 AM and 3 PM.

This event is for adults and seniors only. Participants must pre-register to guarantee a table and the space to work on UFOs!



Northwest Indiana Board Game Association

All Ages Game Day

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 AM - 4 PM
We have board games to share or bring your own. Everyone is welcome. Stay all day or just come in for a few hours! No sign-up required.

Our Gift to You

During the month of December (while they last) have a free book on us! Read it, re-gift it, or donate it back to the library. It is our holiday gift to you! (Free book offer applies only to books on the table in front of the circulation desk).



Adult Programs and Events - Lowell

Blood Drive

Saturday, December 2, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM.
"The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood". Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Knit & Crochet

Every Thursday in December, 9 AM.
Meet up to knit and crochet, share patterns and tips.

Senior Social

Thursday, December 7, 11 AM.
Enjoy a festive hot cocoa bar while making Christmas crafts and decorations.

Simple Stamping

Thursday, December 7, 5:30 PM.
Make two cards with envelopes. A \$5 fee, payable at class, will cover all materials. Limit 12. Pre-register.

Afternoon Book Discussion

Monday, December 11, 12-3 PM.
Read, then meet to discuss *Stories Behind the Best-Loved Songs of Christmas* written by Ace Collins.

Poetry

Saturday, December 16, 10 AM-12 PM.
Aspiring poets can join the NW Indiana Poetry Society and enjoy the work of fellow writers.

Adult Coloring

Tuesday, December 19, 10 AM.
Join in on the fun! Coloring helps us de-stress and stimulates brain areas related to motor skills. All supplies will be provided or you may bring your own.

Library Board Meets

Tuesday, December 19, 6 PM.
The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will be held.

Canasta

Wednesday, December 20, 12-3 PM.
Play this fun card game - we show you how!

Friends of the Library News

Scholastic Book Fair

December 11-15
Shop at the Scholastic Book Fair. Profits from the book sale help support library programming for all ages! Shop online at <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/lowellpubliclibrary1>.

\$3.00 Bag Book Sale

Saturday, December 30, 9 AM-4:30 PM.
Get a bag of books for \$3.00 a bag, the last Saturday of each month. You may bring your brown grocery bag or ask for one at the circulation desk.

Other On-Going Fundraisers

- Coloring books - 50¢
- Coffee Bar Coffee -\$1.50
- Ear Buds - \$2.00
- 16 GB USB flash drive - \$5.00
- Christmas ornament - \$5.00



Go Green

Sign up at the circulation desk to be notified when a new edition of our monthly library newsletter is out.

It is available online or you can download it from our website. All of our events can also be found on our Facebook page.

Photographs

We often take photographs at library events. These pictures are used for publicizing the library and its programs. If you do not wish to be photographed, please let us know.

Check Out Our Website

What you are looking for is only a click away under easy-to-read subject headings. Library locations and hours, upcoming events, new arrivals, and other resources can be accessed from the front page. While you're there, take a look at our Lowell History pages!

For Teens - (Young Adults Grades 6-12) - Lowell

Christmas Cookie Decorating

Monday, December 11, 4-5 PM.

We will have Christmas cookies to decorate with all the icing, sprinkles and candy you can think of!



Just for Kids - Lowell



Holiday Family Movie Night

Monday, December 4, OR December 18, 4-6 PM.

Join us for a fun and cozy holiday movie night. Wear your pajamas and bring something soft to lay on and your favorite stuffed animal. Popcorn, cookies, and bottled water will be provided. Space is limited. Registration is required. Registration opens Monday, November 20.



Christmas Craft

Thursday, December 14, 10:30 AM or 3:30 PM.

Kids can make a snowman ornament for your tree or give it as a gift. This free program is for kids from birth through the 5th grade. Registration is required. Registration opens Monday, November 27.



Story Time

Choose Tuesday, December 19 OR Wednesday, December 20, OR Thursday, December 21. Join Miss Jackie for a few stories, group activities or a simple craft. This free program is for children ages 5 years and younger to enjoy with a parent or guardian. Story Time will last about 30 minutes. We will meet at 10:30 AM. Space is limited. Registration is required. Registration opens Monday, November 27. There is only one week of Story Time offered this month. Please choose only one of the dates.

Shelby Branch Programs

Over 18 Game Days

Monday, Dec. 4, 11, & 18, 4 PM.
Get together for cards or board games.

Coffee & Conversation

Saturday, Dec. 9 & 23, 10 AM.
Stop in for a coffee and a chat.

Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, December 21, 4 PM.
Christmas party.

Young Adult Movie & Pizza

Wednesday, December 6, 4 PM.
Watch a fun movie – free pizza!

Cookies with Miss Sam

Wednesday, December 13, 4 PM.
Decorate Christmas cookies!

Young Adult Game Day

Wednesday, December 20, 4 PM.
You pick the game!

Wii Tournament

Wednesday, December 27, 4 PM.
Play in our friendly tournament for a chance to win bragging rights.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, December 5, 4 PM.
Make Christmas ornaments.

Kids Game Day

Tuesday, December 12, 4 PM.
You pick what we play!

Snowman Craft

Tuesday, December 19, 4 PM.
Make a snowman using recycled jars.

Kids Independent Crafts

Tuesday, December 26, 4 PM.
Use our craft supplies and your imagination to make something awesome.

Merry
Christmas



Schneider Branch Programs

All Ages! Gingerbread Houses and Visit with Santa

Saturday, December 2, 12 PM.
Supplies are limited. Call (219)
552-1000 during library hours
(listed on front page) to register.

Adult Bunco

Thursday, December 7, 6 PM.
Play bunco for novelty prizes.

Young Adult Teen Craft

Wednesday, December 6, 4:30 PM.
Make a wreath.

Game Night

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 4:30 PM.
Meet up for a game with friends.

Young Adult Cookie Craft

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 4:30 PM.
Decorate Christmas cookies and
make a box to put them in.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, December 5, 4 PM.
Make Christmas ornaments!

Christmas Craft

Tuesday, December 12, 4 PM.
Make a lollipop yard decoration,

Cookie Craft

Tuesday, December 19, 4 PM.
Decorate Christmas cookies and
make a box to put them in.

New Fiction Books:

Someone Always Nearby - Albert, Susan Wittig
Bookshops & Bonedust - Baldree, Travis
Midnight at the Christmas Bookshop - Colgan, Jenny
The Corsican Shadow - Cussler, Dirk
Absolution - McDermott, Alice
The Berry Pickers - Peters, Amanda
Knowing You - Peterson, Tracie
Let Us Descend - Ward, Jesmyn
Imperfect Lives - Washington, C.J.
The Twelve Dogs of Christmas - Wiggs, Susan

New Mystery Books:

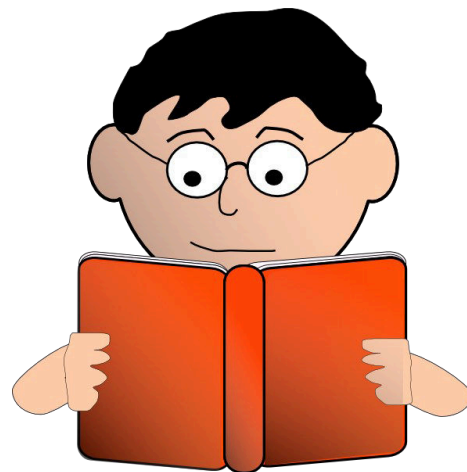
The Proof of the Pudding - Bowen, Rhys
Lost & Hound - Brown, Rita Mae
A Haunting in Venice - Christie, Agatha
Resurrection Walk - Connelly, Michael
Dirty Thirty - Evanovich, Janet
The Spy Coast - Gerritsen, Tess
Hercule Poirot's Silent Night - Hannah, Sophie
Christmas Presents - Inger, Lisa
Bright Young Women - Knoll, Jessica
The Manor House - MacMillan, Gilly
Betrayal - Margolin, Phillip
From a Far and Lovely County - McCall Smith, Alexander
A Christmas Vanishing - Perry, Anne
The Christmas Guest - Swanson, Peter

New Non-Fiction Books:

American Vikings - Whittock, Martyn J.
Behind the Seams - Parton, Dolly
Find More Birds - Wolf, Heather
The Growth Leader - Edinger, Scott K.
The Museum of Scent - Aftel, Mandy
Opposable Thumbs - Singer, Matt
The Sisterhood - Mundy, Lisa
Space Shuttle Stories - Jones, Tom
The Trials of Madame Restell - Syrett, Nicolas L.

New Biography:

Being Henry - Winkler, Henry
Charles: The King and Wales - Thomas, Huw
If You Would Have Told Me - Stamos, John
The Woman in Me - Spears, Brittany



New on DVD:

Blue Beetle

A Christmas Story Christmas

Golda

Jules

Meg 2: The Trench

Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning

Ride On

Scooby-Doo! and Krypto, Too! (Children's)



Christmas Movies

In 2018, Entertainment Weekly.com put out this list of their top 20 Christmas movies or TV specials.

Did your favorites make the list?

1. *It's a Wonderful Life*
2. *A Christmas Story*
3. *A Charlie Brown Christmas*
4. *Elf*
5. *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*
6. *Love Actually*
7. *Bad Santa*
8. *The Muppet Christmas*
9. *The Year Without a Santa Claus*
10. *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*
11. *Home Alone*
12. *Trading Places*
13. *The Nightmare Before Christmas*
14. *White Christmas*
15. *Miracle on 34th Street*
16. *Die Hard (1988)*
17. *Scrooged*
18. *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*
19. *Gremlins*
20. *The Santa Clause*

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We now offer movie streaming through Kanopy and Kanopy Kids! Kanopy can be accessed through the Libby app. Look for “Extras” on the homepage of the Libby app – then choose “Kanopy” to get started. You will need your library card and PIN (the last 4 numbers of your library card) to open a free account. Streaming can take place on any device.

What is Kanopy? Kanopy is the best video streaming service for quality, thoughtful entertainment. Find movies, documentaries, foreign films, classic cinema, independent films, and educational videos that inspire, enrich, and entertain. Can be enjoyed on your TV, mobile phones, tablets, and online.

What is Kanopy Kids? Kanopy Kids is our collection of movies and shows for kids available in public libraries only. Over 2,000 titles for kids and families

Kanopy Kids is a safe, educational, and parent-trusted streaming platform with children at the center of our programming. Packed with over 2,000 titles, ranging from beloved characters like Paddington Bear, Madeline, Blippi, Sesame Street, and PBS Kids, to read-along story books by Vooks, Highlights, and Signed Stories.

Also available under “Extras”:

- *LawDepot* offers legal forms in minutes with high-quality, easy-to-use, and completely customizable legal documents and templates.
- *Learn It Live* offers live and on-demand classes, quick tip videos, and programs for wellness and personal development.
- *Method Test Prep* provides users with comprehensive self-paced lessons and resources that help students prepare for, and score higher on, the SAT and ACT.
- *Universal Class* brings libraries lifelong learning courses in over 30 subject areas, many of which offer continuing education units (CEUs).