

About the Friends

The Friends of the Lowell Public Library, Inc. is a nonprofit organization created to support and enhance the Lowell Public Library and the Schneider and Shelby branch libraries.

Membership is open to all who support the aims and purposes of the Friends of the Lowell Public Library. New members are always welcome! Sit in on a meeting and find out how the Friends support our libraries.



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FOUNDED in 1973 by Alice VanNada

RESIDENTS pledging their time, interest and enthusiasm to support our library

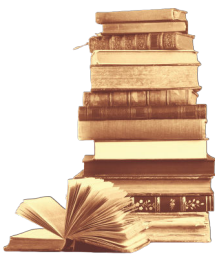
INVOLVED in fundraising to expand and enrich library programs

ENCOURAGE community participation in Children's, Teen, Adult and Senior programs at all three locations

NURTURE and co-sponsor programs such as Santa Story Time and the Student Art Exhibit

DONATE to the library for community programs

STRIVE to make our Friends group the most welcoming and active in all of Lake County



“A book is a gift you can open again and again.”
— Garrison Keillor



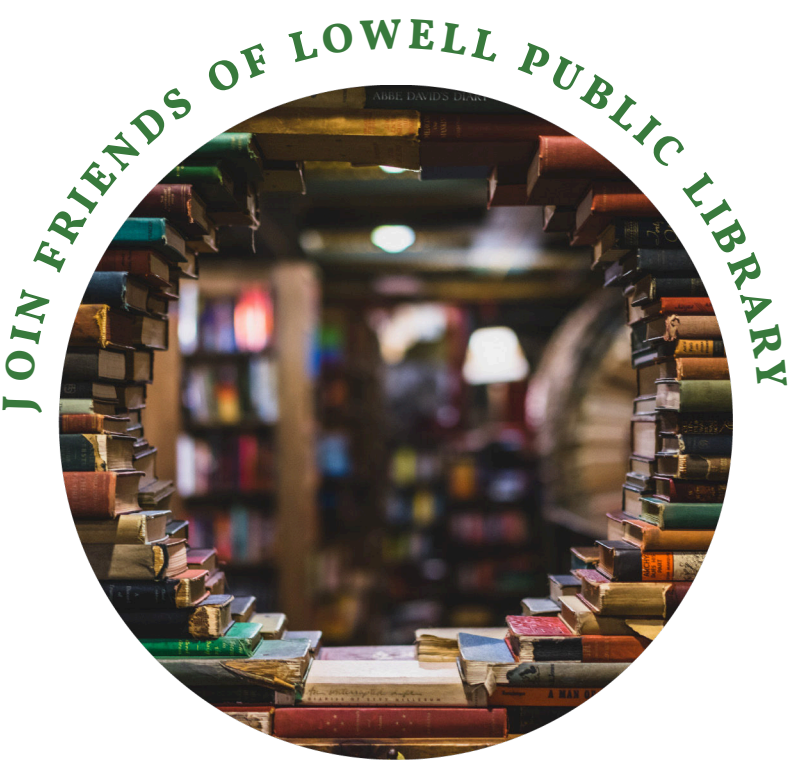
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LOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY
1505 E Commercial Ave
Lowell IN 46376
219.696.7704

<https://www.lowellpl.lib.in.us/friends-of-the-library/>

SCHNEIDER PUBLIC LIBRARY
24002 Parrish Ave
Schneider IN 56376
219.552.1000

SHELBY PUBLIC LIBRARY
23323 Shelby Rd
Mail: PO Box 237
Shelby, IN 46377
219.552.0809



Your passion for reading and community can make a difference!

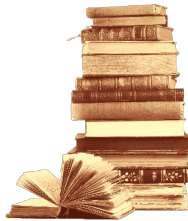


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Join?

Your membership supports:

- Programs for all ages
- Community engagement
- Literacy and lifelong learning
- Special library purchases not included in library funding



Meet like-minded neighbors, share your skills, and enjoy social events throughout the year.

Member Bonus: Choose 1 Free Book from the Book Sale when you join or renew!

*When you become a Friend,
you're helping our library thrive -
and joining a circle of people who care.*



Meetings

Meetings are typically held at the library, the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.

Social Events

We have fun, too!

Several meetings are combined with a social event.

- March - we enjoy a dinner out
- August - a picnic at the park
- December - tree trimming and holiday party with a potluck dinner

Newcomers are always welcome to any social event or meeting.



Fundraising Events

The Friends sponsor many fundraisers for our libraries.

Ongoing Fundraiser includes selling tote bags, flash drives, earbuds, and ornaments decorated with an image of the Lowell library

Ongoing Book Sale includes books, magazines, audio books, music CDs and DVDs

\$3 Bag Sale is held on the last Saturday of each month for books and magazines



The Friends also organize **Special Annual Events** throughout the year ...

Spring Rummage Sale

in April is a much anticipated and successful event.



Student Art Exhibit Reception in May honoring artists from local schools.



NatureFest in September is a fun event with nature minded vendors. Learn, Shop and Discover!



Membership Application

Become an active member! Volunteer when available, promote events, help at sales, or consider serving as an officer.

Join us today! Simply fill out the short application and pay your annual dues.

A minimum annual donation of \$5 secures your membership—but if you'd like to give more, your generosity helps us do even more for the library.

Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal

I would like to:

- ☐ Volunteer when I am available
- ☐ Help with book or rummage sales
- ☐ Receive email updates ☐ Receive text updates
- ☐ Learn about officer or committee roles

Annual Membership: January–December
Dues are payable in January for renewing members
Turn in your application: • At the front desk

• Or mail to:
Friends of the Lowell Public Library
c/o Lowell Public Library
1505 Commercial Ave.
Lowell, IN 46356



Thank you for supporting your library!