



**October
2026**



INDIANA GHOST TRACKERS

Wednesday, October 14, 6 PM.

Join Mike McDowell, President and CEO of Indiana Ghost Trackers, Inc., as he shares his insights into haunted places. Mike will discuss how the Ghost Trackers conduct their investigations and reveal the results of their paranormal adventures.

The presentation will include a PowerPoint, videos, photographs showcasing area hauntings, as well as recordings of EVP (Electronic Voice Phenomena). Additionally, Mike will share the findings from his investigations of the Lowell Public Library. Is the library haunted? Come find out!

You are invited to share any paranormal or unexplained experiences you may have during the presentation. While the program is designed for adults, children and teens are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register for the event at our website or by calling the library.

Medicare 101

Wednesday, October 21, 6 PM

Significant changes are coming to Medicare in 2027! Do you know what they are? Join us for a FREE educational presentation to learn more and get answers to all your Medicare questions. (Remember, the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period is from October 15th to December 7th each year.) Register at our website.

Building Brain-Healthy Habits

Monday, October 26, 10 AM.

Alzheimer's is not normal aging. It's a disease of the brain that causes problems with memory, thinking, and behavior. Join us to learn about why brain health is important. Learn how to protect your brain health and build brain-healthy habits. Presented by Linda Curley, Purdue Extension Educator, in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association. Pre-register.



Lowell Public Library
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Lowell, IN 46356
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fax (219) 696-5280
www.lowellpl.lib.in.us

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-1 PM



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Friends Meet

Wednesday, October 7
5:30 PM.

Attend our monthly meetings where we plan upcoming Friends events, fundraisers, and projects that support and improve the library. New friends welcome! Optional- arrive at 4:30 for fun crafts, coloring, or just a chat!

\$3.00 Bag Book Sale

Saturday, October 31
9 AM-4:30 PM.

On the last Saturday of each month, get a bag of books for \$3. You can bring your own brown grocery bag or ask for one at the circulation desk.

Fall Fundraiser

Sept. 21-Nov. 21

Enter our drawing for a chance to win either a Peony or a Hollyhock Sculpted Painting!

Tickets are only \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

Winners will be announced on Monday, November 23.

ADULT/SENIOR EVENTS AT LOWELL

Knit & Crochet

Every Thursday in October, 9 AM.

Meet up to knit, crochet, and share patterns and tips.

Senior Social - Canvas Paint Party

Thursday, October 1, 11 AM.

Join our fun paint & pass party! Limit 20. Pre-register.

Adult Book Club

Monday, October 12, 1-2:30 PM.

Read, then meet to discuss *The Silent Patient*, written by Alex Michaelides.

Tech Help Appointments

Wednesday, October 14, 10 AM-12 PM.

Do you have questions about your phone, tablet, laptop, or computer? Set up a 30-minute appointment with Amanda- she will try her best to help you find your answers. Pre-register.

LC Health Dept. Vaccination Clinic Mobile Unit

Thursday, October 15, 3-5 PM.

Glucose and blood pressure testing, as well as vaccines, will be available. The mobile unit will be in our library parking lot.

Poetry

Saturday, October 17, 10 AM-12 PM.

Aspiring poets can join the NW Indiana Poetry Society. Bring your work or that of your favorite poet.

Adult Coloring

No coloring in October.

Adult Game Day

No games in October!

Library Board Meets

Tuesday, October 20, 6 PM.

The regular meeting of the Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will be held.

Brain Health

Along with our 37 different *Stay Sharp* kits for adults and seniors, we are now providing informational brochures and books to help keep your brain healthy. Please check back often for ongoing additions to this area of the library.

The Celebration Continues with Patriotic Art

Grab a mini canvas and let your creativity shine by decorating it with a reflection of your patriotism. Return it to the library, and we will showcase your artwork through November as we continue to celebrate the 250th anniversary of our country! (Available only while supplies last.) All ages are encouraged to participate.

Old Books - only \$3.00 each

Take a look at the table near the circulation desk. We have a great variety of interesting old books for sale. You can use them for decoration, crafts, or simply read them! (Please note that these books are NOT part of the Friends Book Sale located on the back wall.)



FOR THE KIDS AT LOWELL

Pumpkin Decorating

Saturday, October 3, 10 AM-12 PM.

Pop into the library for some fall fun! Decorate a pumpkin. Enjoy some cider. Pre-registration is required and opens on Monday, September 7.

Tales for Tails Therapy Dog Visits

Every Tuesday in October, 4-5 PM.

This is a fun program where children can practice their reading skills while cozing up with a lovable pup. For ages 6-12 years. Registration is required and opens Monday, September 14.

Squirrel Craft

Thursday, October 8, 10:30 AM or 3:30 PM.

Make a cute squirrel. Miss Jackie will read the book *The Leaf Thief*. For children, birth-4th grade. Pre-registration opens Monday, September 14.

Family Movie Nights

Monday, October 12 and 26, 4-6 PM.

Wear your pajamas and bring something cozy to sit on. A snack and bottled water will be provided. Pre-registration is required and opens on Monday, September 21.

Story Time

Join Miss Jackie for a few stories, group activities, or a simple craft. Sometimes we get messy! This 30-40 minute program is FREE and for children ages 5 and younger to enjoy with a parent or guardian. Limited space. Pre-registration is required.

Register for each individual date; signing up for one does not automatically register you for the other.

Only choose either Tuesdays, October 13 and 20 OR
Wednesdays, October 14 and 21, OR
Thursdays, October 15 and 22.

All sessions will be held at 10:30 AM. Registration opens on Monday, September 21.

Halloween Costume and Dance Party

Thursday, October 29, 4-5 PM.

Wear your costume and show off your dance moves with DJ Tim from Electrifying Entertainment! After the party, have fun trick-or-treating through the "haunted" book stacks. This is a free program for children ages birth through 4th grade. Pre-registration is required and opens on Monday, October 5.

YOUNG ADULTS/ TEENS AT LOWELL Grades 5-12

Halloween Craft

Thursday, Oct. 1
6 PM.

Make ping-pong lights that you can bring home for Halloween decorations, or paint them a variety of different colors to match your room. Pre-registration opens on Thursday, September 10.

Chess & Checkers

Wed., October 7 & 21
4:30-5:30 PM.

Play checkers and chess with others your age. No signup required.

Self-Defense

Saturday, Oct. 10

Girls: 1 PM

Boys: 2 PM

The library, in partnership with *Kataaro Martial Arts*, will host a free, basic self-defense program for students in grades 5-12. Limited spots available. Parents need to sign a waiver at in-person registration. Registration opens on September 12.

Campfire Fun

Thursday, Oct. 15
5:30-7 PM.

Learn the ins and outs of fire safety and how to build, maintain, and properly extinguish a campfire. Roast marshmallows and make s'mores while hearing spooky stories. Registration opens September 24.

YA Food Drive

10/26-11/13.

See flyer in library for details.

SHELBY BRANCH PROGRAMS

Over 18 Game Days

Monday, Oct. 5, 12, and 19
All at 4 PM.
Get together to play cards or board games.

Coffee & Conversation

Saturday, Oct. 10 & 24, 10 AM.
Stop in for a cup of coffee. Stay for a chat.

Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, Oct. 15, 4PM.
Read, then meet to discuss *Bright Captivity* written by Eugenia Price.

Movies for Grown-Ups

Saturday, October 17, 10 AM.
Enjoy a morning movie at the library.

Senior Bingo

Monday, October 26, 4 PM.
Play for a chance to win a gift card.

YA Scary Movie

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 3 PM.
Watch a movie. Free snacks.

Craft with Miss Emily

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 4:30 PM.
Decorate a pumpkin!

Young Adult Craft

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 4:30 PM.
Have fun with string art!

YA Wii Games

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 4:30 PM.
Play a variety of Wii games.

YA Game Day

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 3 PM.
Play board games with friends.

Story Time

Thursday, Oct. 1, 3 PM.
Join Miss Jackie for stories and some fun activities.

Kids Bingo

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 4:30 PM.
Play bingo to win fun prizes.

Kids Independent Crafts

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 4:30 PM.
Make something awesome with our craft supplies.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 4:30 PM.
Make a cute squirrel based on the book *"The Leaf Thief."*

Kids Game Day

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 4:30 PM.
Play board or tabletop games.



SCHNEIDER BRANCH PROGRAMS

Adult Ceramics

Tuesday, October 6, 6 PM.
Call for project information and to sign up.

Adult Coloring

Saturday, Oct. 17, 11 AM.
Relax and color at the library.

Adult Craft

Tuesday, October 20, 6 PM.
Bring a craft or choose one of ours.

Coffee & Conversation

Saturday, Oct. 31, 11 AM.
Stop in for coffee and a chat.

YA Game Day

Wednesday, Oct. 7 and 21
All at 4:30 PM.
Play board games.

YA Craft with Miss Emily

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 4:30 PM.
Bring a dark-colored COTTON T-shirt to bleach.
All other supplies will be provided.

YA Halloween Party

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 4:30 PM.
Come to the library for snacks and to play fun games.

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All Ages Puzzle Club

Mondays 4-5 PM.

All Ages LEGO® Club

Thursdays 4-5 PM.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, October 6, 4 PM.
Make a cute corn cob using craft sticks.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, October 13, 4 PM.
Paint a pumpkin.

Kids Craft

Tuesday, October 20, 4 PM.
Fun with Perler beads.

Halloween Fun

Tuesday, October 27, 4 PM.
Make quick crafts with paper cut-outs. Snacks will be available.