Tweens and teens are invited to participate in an engaging STEAM event:

**Teen STEAM: CD Case Maze**

Saturday, January 13; 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Create a CD case maze using empty CD cases and wax sticks. Perfect for grades 5 to 12.

**Excelsior! Spider Trap Challenge**

Challenge your STEM skills in this family friendly engineering competition for school age children and their families. Build a trap using simple machines to catch a (fake) spider. Winners enter a drawing to receive a grand prize!

Wednesdays, January 17; February 21; March 21; 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

**Coding Club**

Students, grades 3 and up, will explore and learn computer programming in a fun, collaborative environment. A limited number of laptops are available or bring your own. Staff and volunteers will be on hand for assistance.

Wednesdays, January 17; 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

**Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury**

Wednesday, February 21; 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

**Books and Brews- The Devil in the White City by Erik Larson- Avon Brewing Company**

Wednesday, March 21; 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

**The Twelve Lives of Samuel Hawley by Hannah Tinti**

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**Investing 101**

Gain the knowledge you need to begin investing on your own. Learn basic investments of stocks, bonds, CDs and annuities, as well as core investing principles of risk versus return and diversification. Identify your unique investor personality by examining your financial situation and goals.

**Escape from the Library!**

Thursday, January 11; 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

This program of stories, songs, games and social time geared toward children with varying learning styles and abilities, specifically designed for children who may not be successful in a typical story time experience. Content is geared for ages 3 through 7.

**Musical Toolbox**

Saturdays, January 6; February 24; March 17; 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.

**Chair Yoga**

Certified yoga therapist Lyndsey Needham will demonstrate proper alignment techniques and breath work that will help improve your strength and flexibility while releasing stress and tension with the use of a chair. This program is for adults at all mobility levels.

**Wonders of Weather**

Find out from CBS TV meteorologist, Jon Loufman, why wind blows, how a storm forms or why the seasons change. This hands on, interactive presentation is for families with children of all ages.

**Baby Bounce and Rhyme Story Time**

Thursday, January 25; 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 29; 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.

**Adult Book Discussion- Open Read**

Read a book of your choice and come participate in an open discussion. Please bring a copy of your book to show the group. New members are welcome.

**Friends of the Avon Library Meeting**

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Monday, January 8; March 3; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.;

**Saturday, March 2; 2:30 p.m.-4:40 p.m.**

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**Musical Toolbox**

Designed for children with special needs and their families, this fun, engaging music program is conducted by a board certified music therapist from Music Therapy Enrichment Center.

**Saturday, January 6; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.**

**Busy Town**

Drive around Richard Scarry’s Busy Town and meet new friends! Children ages 18 months to 6 years can stop at the grocery store, car wash, construction site and more. Bring your favorite toy car or truck and play.

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Please note preregistration is required for all programs except where noted. Visit the online calendar for the most current information at lorainpubliclibrary.org/events.
Saturday, January 27; 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Techie Workshop- Programming
Use Scratch, developed by the MIT Media Lab, to learn the concepts of computer programming. Create your own interactive art, stories and games. Presented by TECH CORPS. For students in 3rd to 8th grade.
Saturday, January 27; 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Senior Reading Buddies- Avon Place
Grandmas, grandpas, a good book and some homemade cookies—what more could a child want? Local seniors and children are invited to join us at Avon Place, 29500 Detroit Road, Avon, for this cozy heartwarming reading experience for young and old.
Monday, January 29; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Family Reading Night:
Tall Towers Mini Challenges
This family friendly engineering competition challenges the STEM skills of school age children and their families as they complete three mini challenges to build the tallest towers. Winners of the challenges will be entered into a drawing to receive a grand prize!
Wednesday, January 31; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Pig-A-Paloza
Join us at the library for an evening filled with stories, games, crafts and piggy surprises. Perfect for children ages 3 and up.
Fridays, February 2; 9; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Beginning Knitting
Learn to knit starting from the basics. In this two part series for beginning knitters ages 10 through adult. Bring a pair of size 7 knitting needles.
Friday, February 2; 9; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.
Story Time for You and Me-
Rose Senior Living
Come join us at Rose Senior Living, 33200 Health Campus Blvd. in Avon, for an afternoon of stories, music, finger plays and crafts. We will be joined by Rose Senior Living residents and children from Primrose School. Perfect for children ages 3 through 6.
Saturday, February 3; 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Monday, March 26; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
PowerPoint for Beginners
Learn to create dynamic presentations for any audience. Participants will learn how to create slides that include charts, clip art and other graphics, including animation and transition effects. Learn to edit and polish your presentations with ease. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.
Monday, February 5; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
Tech Help
Bring your questions to this informal session about the use of computers, tablets, eReaders, the internet or anything else technology related.
Tuesday, February 6; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia & Alzheimer’s Disease
The Alzheimer’s Association provides basic information about memory loss issues.
Saturday, February 10; 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
I Love Candy! A Candy Land® Party
Families of all ages are invited to drop by and play a giant version of Candy Land®, win candy prizes and make crafts. A perfect party for a sweet tooth!
Monday, February 12; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
eMedia
Learn to use eLibrary services to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks, music and more. Also, learn how to stream free movies and television shows to your computer or TV. Plus, learn how to take online courses for free using Gale and Lynda courses. Bring any questions and your devices.
Tuesday, February 13; 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.
Family Engineering Night: Escape Room
Join us for a family friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. School age children and their families complete a series of challenges in a race against time and “escape” the library as a team.
Wednesday, February 14; 6:30 p.m.-7 p.m.
Valentine’s Day Family Story Time
Friday, February 16; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
Teen Cosmic Mini Golf
Teens and tweens-join us after hours for a round of cosmic, glow in the dark mini golf. Perfect for ages 12 through 18.
Saturday, February 17; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.
Angelina Ballerina’s Tutu Tea Party
Preschool and school age children, put on your tutus and join us for a magical afternoon! Snack on scrumptious desserts, make a ballerina wand, and learn a few simple dance steps for an afternoon of fun.
Mondays, February 19; March 19; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
Intermediate Excel
Learn to summarize data using the LOOKUP function, how to create charts for different categories of data, modify data in a chart, format charts and give charts a professional look.
Saturday, February 24; 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Teen STEAM: Gumdrop Structure Challenge
Teens and teens are invited to participate in an engaging STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activity. This month we will be using gumdrops and toothpicks to build structures which can hold the weight of a book. Perfect for grades 5 to 12.
Monday, February 26; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History
Local author Marty Gitlin ranks the greatest cartoon characters of all time in his latest book A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History. Gitlin will show cartoon snippets and talk about the wackiest and most legendary cartoon characters ever. He will also explain the criteria he used to rank the best of the best, including Bugs Bunny, Homer Simpson and SpongeBob SquarePants. This program is for adults and teens.
Tuesday, February 27; 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Adult Book Discussion- When Breath Becomes Air
by Paul Kalanithi
Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are always welcome!
Tuesday, February 27; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
Essential Oils
Katie Vasko, an essential oil enthusiast and educator, will provide education about essential oils and their possible uses such as promoting sleep and immunity. Attendees will place oils with a carrier oil in a bottle with a roller ball for easy essential oil application.
Wednesday, February 28; 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m.
Vegan Recipe Swap
Do you have a great vegan recipe that you would like to share? Are you looking for new vegan recipe ideas? Come to our recipe swap! Come prepared to discuss a favorite vegan recipe and bring copies of the recipe to distribute. Feel free to bring a sample for tasting, though this is not required. This program is for adults.
Thursday, March 1
Friends of the Avon Library
Adult Art Show
The Friends of the Avon Library are holding their annual art show featuring works by local adult artists. The art will be on display March 1 through March 21 during regular library hours. A reception for artists, patrons and friends will be held at the library on March 5 at 7 p.m.
Friday, March 2
Seuss-A-Paloza at the Library
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Friday, March 2; 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.
Dr. Seuss Story Time
Join us at the library for a story time filled with Dr. Seuss books, finger plays, and songs. Perfect for families with children ages 3 through 5.
Monday, March 5; 7 p.m.-8 p.m.
Friends of the Avon Library Adult Art Show Reception
You are cordially invited to a reception for the March art show featuring local adult artists. Artists, patrons and friends are all welcome. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Avon Library. No registration required.
Monday, March 6; 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Coding with Scratch
Kids in third through sixth grade and a parent can have fun learning basic coding skills as a creative team. We will use MIT’s Scratch website to learn basic building blocks for computer design and get you started making interactive stories, games and animations. Parent does not need to register, just attend with your child.