

# Main Library

351 W. Sixth Street  
Lorain, OH 44052

440-244-1192 or 1-800-322-READ

M, Tu, W, Th 10 a.m.-8 p.m.;  
F, Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Hours subject to change

Please note preregistration is required for all programs except where noted. Visit the online calendar for the most current information [www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events](http://www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events).

*Monday, January 1; 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.*

## **CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY**

Lorain Public Library System locations are closed in observance of the New Year's Day holiday.

*Tuesdays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27;  
March 6, 13, 20, 27; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Line Dancing**

Learn line dancing to rhythm and blues and soul music (taught by Ms. Evelyn Henry) or practice what you already know while making new friends.

*Tuesdays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27;  
March 6, 13, 20, 27; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.*

## **Sewing Club**

Learn hand-sewing and sewing machine skills. A few sewing machines will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own portable machine. Bring your questions and sewing project ideas. Beginners and those with some background in sewing are welcome.

*Wednesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7, 14, 21, 28;  
March 7, 14, 21, 28; 4 p.m.-6 p.m.*

## **Coding Club**

We'll provide the tech; you provide the creativity as we explore coding concepts and computer languages. All skill levels are welcome. Intended for children ages 10 and up.

*Thursdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22;  
March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Salsarobics**

Exercise to the Latin beat with Eileen Torres. Bring a drink (water will be provided) and wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Everyone is invited.

*Fridays, January 5, 12, 19, 26; February 2, 9, 16, 23;  
March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; 4:45 p.m.-5:45 p.m.*

## **Yoga for Beginners**

Ages 18 and older are invited to join the weekly Wednesday yoga class taught by Tom Gorman. Please bring your own yoga mat or beach towel.

*Saturdays, January 6, 13, 20, 27; February 3, 10, 17, 24;  
March 3, 10, 17, 24; 10 a.m.-noon*

## **Yarn Club**

Knitting/crochet instructor Valerie Dillard will teach and review the basic stitches of knitting and crochet to teens and adults. All are welcome to join the club and yarn is provided for practice. Please bring knitting needles (size 9 or 10) or a crochet hook (size G or H).

*Saturdays, January 6, 20; February 3, 17;  
March 3, 17, 31; 2 p.m.-5 p.m.*

## **Knights of the Square Table Chess Club**

Calling all chess players! Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned player, come to our open play sessions.

*Mondays, January 8, 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26;  
March 5, 12, 19, 26; 2 p.m.-4 p.m.*

## **Job Help Mondays**

Are you seeking help in looking for a job? Come to one of the library's free drop in sessions. Learn to compose and assemble a resume, set up an email account, attach a resume in an email, set up a job website account, save a resume to an online site and apply for a job online.

*Mondays, January 8, 15, 22, 29; February 5,  
12, 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26;  
6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Zumba®**

Join the Zumba® workout craze and shed pounds while dancing to merengue, salsa and other hot Latin beats!

*Thursday, January 11; 5 p.m.-8 p.m.*

## **Book Sale Preview for Lorain Friends Members**

Admission to the book sale preview is reserved for members of the Friends of the Lorain Public Library, Inc. New members may join, or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening.

*Friday, January 12; 10 a.m.-6 p.m.;*

*Saturday, January 13; 10 a.m.-6 p.m.;*

*Monday, January 15; 10 a.m.-8 p.m.;*

*Tuesday, January 16; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.- Penny Day*

## **Book Sale**

The book sale is open to the public and sponsored by the Friends of the Lorain Public Library, Inc.

*Fridays, January 12; February 23; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.;* *March 9;  
4 p.m.-5:30 p.m.*

## **Internet for Beginners**

Become familiar with internet basics, visiting websites and using internet search engines to find information. Discover the most useful websites for accurate information, such as health information. Learn about services available through the library's website. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

*Monday, January 15; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.*

## **Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Event**

Learn about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s protest against inequality and draw or write about your dreams.

*Mondays, January 15; February 12; March 12;  
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.*

## **Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time**

Join Ernie Hernandez, Duelist and organizer, for open play time. He will share his knowledge of the Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME. Open play time is for 8-year-olds to 18-year-olds. Advanced Format. Konami rules. Bring your own deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed. Registration opens December 18.

*Tuesdays, January 16; February 1, 13; March 1, 13, 29;  
5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.*

## **Anime and Manga Club**

Join fellow fanatics and enjoy anime, manga, drawing, fan culture and more. View shōjo to shōnen, action, adventure and fantasy shows and snacks. For fans ages 13 to 18. Bring a friend!

*Thursday, January 18; 6 p.m.*

## **Third Thursday Book Discussion- Syndrome E by Franck Thilliez**

Come join us and discuss this chilling thriller. We promise, we'll have the lights on! Copies of the book are available at the library.

*Fridays, January 19; March 16; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.*

## **eMedia**

Come for an overview of our eLibrary services and learn how to use the library's website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music, as well as stream free movies and television shows to a computer or TV. Plus, learn how to take free online Gale courses. Bring questions and your portable devices.

*Mondays, January 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 19, 26;  
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.*

## **Family Story Time**

Families with babies, toddlers and children will enjoy stories, music, finger plays and a craft while developing important early literacy skills.

*Mondays, January 22; February 26, March 26; 5 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Family Movie Night**

It's an old style cinema night for the whole family! Join us for popcorn and a flick.

*Tuesdays, January 23; February 27; March 27; 4 p.m.-5 p.m.*

## **Spice & Herb Exchange Club**

Discover new flavors and bold tastes to create mouthwatering dishes, marinades, dry rubs, adobos, salsas, baked goods, soups, salads, rice, teas (home remedies) and coffees. All are welcome to join our Spice & Herb Exchange Club. Bring your favorite recipes to share and an edible sample for tasting.

*Tuesdays, January 23; February 27; March 27; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Teen Writing Club**

Join other teens interested in writing to discuss, write and constructively critique each other's work. For grades 7 to 12.

*Wednesdays, January 24; February 21; March 14; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **LEGO® Night**

Do you love to build with LEGO® bricks? The library will provide the LEGO® bricks and you supply the ideas and creations. All ages welcome.

*Friday, January 26; 11 a.m.-noon*

## **Kindergarten Readiness- Shapes**

Help your preschooler get ready for school by exploring hands on activity stations together. Focus on literacy and math skills. For ages 4 to 5, with a caregiver.

*Fridays, January 26; 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.;* *February 9;  
4 p.m.-5:30 p.m.*

## **Email for Beginners**

Become familiar with email account setup and use. Learn how to send and receive emails, attach pictures and documents to your emails, as well as create and use contact lists. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

*Saturdays, January 27; March 17; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.*

## **Word for Beginners**

Using the 2007 edition of Microsoft Word, participants will learn the basics of typing, saving formatting and printing documents as well as copying and pasting techniques. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

*Monday, January 29; 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.;*

*Friday, March 30; 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m.*

## **Manage Photos from Cloud**

Learn how to upload photos and videos to the cloud from your computer, and how to transfer pictures and videos from your cell phone or tablet.

*Monday, January 29; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Pirates and Princesses**

If you have a pirate or princess in your household, join us for themed crafts, games, and a whole lot of fun. Dress up is highly encouraged. All ages welcome.

*Wednesday, January 31; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

## **Family Bingo Night**

Join us for a night of fun and prizes playing good old fashioned bingo! For families with children of all ages.





*Fridays, February 2; March 2; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.;*

*Saturday, January 20; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.*

**Introduction to Windows 10**

Learn to use Microsoft's newest operating system, including how to customize your desktop, manage files and folders and navigate Windows 10.

*Tuesday, February 13; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

**Make and Take Valentine's Day Craft**

Valentine's Day is right around the corner and we have everything you need to create a dazzling handmade craft to show your family and friends. All ages welcome.

*Thursday, February 15; 6 p.m.*

**Third Thursday Book Discussion- My Absolute Darling by Gabriel Tallent**

A breathtaking story of survival following the journey of a girl intent on becoming herself, this one is sure to keep you turning the pages. Please come join us in for discussion! Copies of the book are available at the library.

*Friday, February 16; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.;*

*Saturday, March 31; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.*

**Introduction to Social Media**

Social media allows you to interact with people online. Learn how to create, share and exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks online, including Facebook and Twitter.

*Saturdays, February 17; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.;*

*March 10; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.*

**Excel for Beginners**

Participants will learn about the basics of using the 2007 edition of Microsoft Excel to set up a spreadsheet workbook. The instructor will demonstrate how to input data, compose simple spreadsheet formulas, and choose layout and print format options. A limited amount of hands on practice time will be available. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

*Saturdays, February 17, 24; March 3, 17, 24, 31; 11 a.m.-noon*

**Food and Fun**

Children and teens age 18 and under are invited to join us for a boxed lunch, games, crafts, and other activities as we explore cooking, new foods, and fun ways to get moving on the weekend. Participants will also bring home a packaged set of ingredients and a recipe to share with their family.

*Saturday, February 17; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.*

**Craft-A-Palooza**

Families with children of all ages, join us for a wide variety of simple crafts to make and take home with you. Preregistration is required.

*Friday, February 23; 11 a.m.-noon*

**Kindergarten Readiness- Counting**

Help your preschooler get ready for school by exploring hands on activity stations together. Focus on numbers. For ages 4-5, with a caregiver.

*Wednesday, February 28; noon-1:30 p.m.*

**Lunchtime Local History: Garrett Morgan: Cleveland's Civic-Minded Inventor**

Celebrate Black History Month by learning about Garrett Morgan, the son of former slaves who moved north from the segregated south and went on to become a self made businessman in Cleveland. Hear the story of how his inventions including the traffic light revolutionized public safety in the automobile age. The program is presented by the Western Reserve Historical Society. Light refreshments will be served.

*Monday, March 5; 5:30 p.m.-7:30 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.

*Tuesday, March 6; 1 p.m.-2 p.m.*

**The Basics: Memory Loss Dementia & Alzheimer's**

The Alzheimer's Association provides basic information about memory loss issues.

*Saturday, March 10; 11 a.m.-noon*

**Dungeons & Dragons Basics- Winter Convention**

Ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons? Join our panelists to learn the basics for starting your own game!

*Saturday, March 10; 11 a.m.-4 p.m.*

**Winter Convention**

Join us in celebrating our favorite fandoms and nerdy interests with presentations, vendors, crafts and more. From fantasy realms to space sagas, gaming to comics there will be something for everyone. Even a costume contest and photo booth. All ages welcome. Schedule is as follows:

*noon-1 p.m.*

**Comic Book Art**

Ever wonder how artists create comics and graphic novels? Local artist Nathan Ward will take it step by step as you bring your own ideas to life. This program is intended for ages 9 and up.

*noon-4 p.m.*

**Photo Booth**

Suit up and save the world! Jump in the photo booth with your favorite hero props and take home some memories. Courtesy of Pop Star Photo Booth.

*1 p.m.-2 p.m.*

**A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History**

The only author to ever rank the greatest cartoon characters of all time hosts this fun presentation. Marty Gitlin will show snippets, discuss legendary characters, explain his criteria for rankings and even set up games for the youngsters. All ages welcome.

*1 p.m.-2 p.m.*

**Steampunk Fascinators**

Learn how to make your own Steampunk "fascinator"-a tiny decorative hat you can take home!

*2 p.m.-3 p.m.*

**Elements of Cosplay**

Join us for a presentation on various elements of cosplay including no budget costumes, online resources as well as various prop and costume construction techniques.

*3 p.m.-4 p.m.*

**Junior Superhero Academy**

Within every child lives a superhero capable of saving the day. Join Wonder Woman and Spider Man in an interactive and engaging show that summons superpowers and let kids save the day and the world. Program is provided by Spectacular Party Entertainment, Inc.

*Thursday, March 15; 6 p.m.*

**Third Thursday Book Discussion- The Dinner by Herman Koch**

The novel explores just how far people are willing to go in order to protect the ones they love in the face of terrible tragedy. We are sure this book will leave you hungry to talk about it! Copies of the book are available at the library.

*Thursday, March 22; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.*

**Minecrafters**

Calling all Minecraft fans! Families with children of all ages, Grab your pickaxe or sword and join us in the Nether for an evening of simple Minecraft themed crafts.

*Friday, March 23; 11 a.m.-noon*

**Kindergarten Readiness- Colors**

Help your preschooler get ready for school by exploring hands on activity stations together. Focus on strengthening color knowledge and fine motor skills. For ages 4-5 with a caregiver.

*Friday, March 23; 3:30 p.m.-5:30 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.

*Saturday, March 24; 6 p.m.-8 p.m.*

**Escape Room**

It's an escape room for adults! Prepare to be locked in, solve puzzles, and search for clues as you race against the clock.

*Monday, March 26; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.*

**Container Gardening**

Did you know almost any garden fruit or vegetable can grow in a container? Join us and we will teach you the basics of growing food in pots, containers, and small spaces.

*Wednesday, March 28; noon-1:30 p.m.*

**Lunchtime Local History: Lorain's "Really Religious Reid Avenue"**

Who would have guessed that a street, named for one of the city's founding fathers, would become the most religious street in all of Lorain? Two dozen of Lorain's religious foundations, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Jewish, Muslim and more, are represented here. Join us as David Simmer, Sacred Landmarks Initiative, helps us explore the neighborhoods, the people and the sacred edifices that gave soul to the city of Lorain. Light refreshments will be served.

