**North Ridgeville Library**

35700 Bainbridge Road
North Ridgeville, OH 44039
440-327-8326

M, Tu, W, Th 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.;
F, Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

* Closed Sundays from May through September

**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.

**Monday, January 1:** 10 a.m.-6:30 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.

**Wednesday, January 3, February 7, March 7:** 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**After Breakfast Adult Morning Book Discussion**

Adults, enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title the first Wednesday morning monthly. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

**Wednesday, January 3; February 7; March 7:** 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Coloring for Grown ups**

Experience the calming, stress relieving benefits of coloring beautiful designs and patterns made for adults. Coloring sheets, pencils and markers will be provided. This program is for adults age 18 and older.

**Wednesday, January 3:** 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Cabin Fever**

Tired of the cold wind blowing and keeping the kids inside? Bring them into the library for some cool winter fun, indoor style. Families are welcome to attend this chillin’ event.

**Thursday, January 4; February 1; March 1:** 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

**A Literary Lunch Break- Story Time for Grown ups**

Bring a lunch and relax while listening to short stories and poetry read by library staff. Share in the follow up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older.

**Friday, January 5, February 2; March 16:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Little Learners**

Three- through 5-year-olds and their caregivers are invited to stop by the story room to explore and learn about the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors, patterns and more.

**Saturday, January 6, February 3, March 3:**

**10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Browser’s® Reading Buddies**

Browser’s® Reading Buddies is a relaxed, dog friendly program where first- through fifth graders sit and read with a certified Therapy Dog International canine volunteer for a 15-minute session. Call the library at 440-327-8326 to register.

**Saturday, January 6, 20; February 3, 17; March 3, 17, 31:**

**1 p.m.-3 p.m.**

**North Ridgeville Writers**

Interested in meeting other writers to hone your writing skills but need motivation? Then, join us for read and critique and learn the craft of writing in general.

**Wednesday, January 10; February 14; March 14:**

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

**Book Buddies- Adult Book Discussion**

Copies of the book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

**Wednesday, January 10:** 6:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

**Candy Sushi for Tweens and Teens**

Beat the winter blues at the library with some Japanese inspired sweet treats. Tweens and teens will make sushi out of candy and Rice Krispie™ treats while watching some favorite anime episodes.

**Saturday, January 13; 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.**

The Friends of The North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. General Membership Meeting

General membership meeting of The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. to plan the next book sale and other fundraisers. New members are welcome.

**Saturday, January 13; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.**

**Paddington Bear™ Party**

Bring your favorite teddy bear to the library to make Paddington Bear™ inspired crafts for you and your fuzzy BFF! Intended for children ages two and up.

**Sunday, January 14; 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

Dolley Madison Portrayed by Carol Starre Kmiecik

First Lady Dolley Madison was well known for her hospitality and social skills. She became first lady in 1808 when her husband James Madison was elected President, but she often previously acted as hostess of official state events during widowhood Thomas Jefferson’s two presidential terms. Carol Starre Kmiecik will perform a one woman presentation in period costume that will bring this great personality to life. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Mondays, January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 5:**

**10:15 a.m.-10:35 a.m.**

**Thursdays, January 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 8:**

**10:15 a.m.-10:35 a.m.**

**Baby and Me Story Time**

Stories, music and finger plays for babies from birth to 23 months, and their caregivers.

**Mondays, January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 5:**

**10:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.**

**Thursdays, January 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 8:**

**10:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.**

**Tales for Twos Story Time**

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2-year-olds and their caregivers.

**Mondays, January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 5:**

**1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.**

**Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6:**

**6:30 p.m.-7 p.m.**

**Family Fun Story Time**

A fun story time for families with children ages 2 to 6. Families not signed up for other story time sessions are welcome to join us for stories, songs and crafts.

**Mondays, January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 5:**

**6:45 p.m.-7:15 p.m.**

**Primetime Preschool Story Time**

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2 to 6-year-olds. Make us a part of your Monday night bedtime routine. Children may come dressed in their pajamas, ready to enjoy a bedtime story. Children four and older may go into the story room alone or with their caregivers.

**Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6:**

**10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.**

**Thrilling Threes- Story Time for 3-Year-Olds**

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 3-year-olds and their caregivers.

**Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6:**

**11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.**

**Thursdays, January 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 8:**

**1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.**

**Fabulous Fours and Fives- Story Time for 4-and 5-Year-Olds**

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 4- and 5-year-olds.

**Tuesdays, January 16; February 20; March 20:**

**1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.**

**Upcycle Book Craft for Adults**

Adults, come enjoy an afternoon of crafting at the library. Staff will present a fun, easy take home craft using pages of old books.

**Tuesdays, January 16; February 20; March 20:**

**2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Gamer Lounge**

4th graders through 12th graders, drop by between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. with your friends in tow and enjoy Wii and PlayStation®4 on the big screen.

**Wednesdays, January 17; February 21; March 21:**

**7 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**The Butler Did It- Mystery Book Discussion**

Copies of the mystery book being discussed are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

**Friday, January 19:**

**11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**LEGO® Fun Day**

The library will provide the LEGO® bricks. You supply the ideas and creations. Drop by anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to participate.

**Sunday, January 21:**

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

**Canal Songs and Stories**

Produced by Eden Valley Enterprises, this program features music and narration about the history of the canals of Ohio. Foster Brown sings while Bette Lou Higgins shares stories as we learn about this interesting time in Ohio’s past. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Tuesdays, January 23; February 27; March 27:**

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

**Afternoon Adult Book Discussion**

Adults, enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title on the fourth Tuesday afternoon monthly. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

**Thursday, January 25:**

**5 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**Book Sale Preview**

Admission to the book sale preview of a large assortment of books, movies, puzzles and music for all ages is reserved for members of The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library. Inc. New members may join, or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Friday, January 26; Saturday, 27:**

**10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sunday, January 28:**

**1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Book Sale**

Find a large assortment of books, movies, puzzles and music for all ages. Open to the public. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.
Behold! The library needs to clean out its craft supply closet. Did you miss a story time craft? Or perhaps you have a favorite craft that you’d like to remake. Here’s your chance! Ages 2 and up may drop in anytime between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to make a special craft while supplies last.

**Monday, January 29; 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**Wonders of Weather**

Have you ever wondered why the wind blows, how a storm forms or why the seasons change? Now you can find out from CBS TV meteorologist, Jon Loufman in a presentation on the wonders of weather! This fun, hands on, interactive presentation is intended for children ages 6 and up with their families.

**Saturday, January 30; 6 p.m.-7 p.m.**

**The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia & Alzheimer’s**

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

**Wednesday, January 31; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**Child Passenger Safety**

Four out of five child restraints are installed or used incorrectly in vehicles, possibly making them ineffective in a crash. Learn from a UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital nationally certified child passenger safety technician how to select a car seat, what to look for when installing the seat and how to adjust it properly.

**Sunday, February 4; 4 p.m.-4 p.m.**

**Captured in Liberation- A World War II Story**

Andrew Badja, local author and assistant business professor at Cuyahoga Community College, shares the true story about how his father had to flee from Poland as a young boy during World War II. This amazing story is based on the presenter’s book and captures the power of freedom and the enduring strength of family. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Mondays, February 5; March 5; 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**Thursdays, February 8; March 8; 2 p.m.-3 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.

**Wednesday, February 7; 6:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.**

**Excel 2016 for Beginners**

This introductory class is for people who have little or no experience using Microsoft Excel, a popular spreadsheet program. Participants will work with Excel worksheets and workbooks, identify rows and columns, enter data into cells and ranges and create simple mathematical formulas.

** Fridays, February 22; March 15; 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.; Thursdays, February 28; March 21; 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Visiting the Library: How to Use the Library's Website to Access Free EBooks, Magazines, Audiobooks and Music**

Join us for an entertaining and informative program featuring memorable songs and interesting stories with fun facts from classic Hollywood films such as Casablanca, Swing Time, A Star is Born, Brigadoon and many more. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Sunday, February 4; 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

**LEGO® Fun Night**

Eric Seddon brings his Hot Club Jazz Quintet to the library, featuring a variety of 1920s & 30s music on a selection of traditional and other instruments. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Sunday, February 11; 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

**Old Glory- A History of the U.S. Flag**

Jim Smith, an educator with the Lorain County Historical Society, will show samples of the many different U.S. flags as he traces the fascinating history of our Stars and Stripes. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Sunday, February 18; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**7 Mile Isle Steel Drum Band**

All ages will enjoy the warm sounds of Trinidad and Tobago in the midst of Ohio’s wintertime as this popular steel drum band returns to the library to play its unique sound of steel drums and other instruments. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

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**Sunday, March 7; 6:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.**

**Harry Potter Herbolology**

Do you like Harry Potter? Come and learn the proper care of magical plants. Teens and tweens will create mandrakes to take home and enjoy. Don’t forget your earmuffs!

**Sunday, March 11; 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

**Eric Seddon’s Hot Club Jazz Quintet**

Eric Seddon brings his Hot Club Jazz Quintet to the library, including jazz musicians from the Cleveland and Akron area who performed at the library last March and were a huge hit. Enjoy an afternoon of lively jazz music and learn about the history of jazz in general. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Sunday, March 18; 3 p.m.-4 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 for all ages. Marty Gitlin will show cartoon snippets then talk about such legends as Bugs Bunny, Bullwinkie J. Moose and others. Children will learn about characters known by their parents and grandparents as well as recent cartoon characters. Marty will share his criteria for selecting the best of the best cartoons. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Sunday, March 25; 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

**Music and the Movies- Songs and Stories from Classic Films**

Vocalist Eileen Burns and her jazz combo band share an entertaining and informative program featuring memorable songs and interesting stories with fun facts from classic Hollywood films such as Casablanca, Swing Time, A Star is Born, Brigadoon and many more. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

**Monday, March 26; 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 29; 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Excel 2016 for Beginners**

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**Wednesday, March 14; 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**Rock Painting**

Enjoy this rockin’ hobby and paint your own rock to keep or hide for others to find and enjoy. Learn about Rock to Develop Rocks androcks to post your painted rock. Rocks, paint and brushes will be provided. This family program is intended for all ages.

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

**St. Patrick’s Day Celebration**

It is your lucky day! The library is hosting a St. Patrick’s Day party for families to celebrate together! There will be St. Patrick’s Day themed games, crafts and activities for all ages.