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

**South Lorain Library**
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M-Th 10:00-8:00; Fri and Sat 10:00-6:00
Sun * 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

* Closed Sundays from May through September
Hours subject to change

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.

**Read Before the Program.**

Thursday, January 4: 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

**Soup Wars**

Your mother always told you not to play with your food. Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can join us to break that rule.

Saturday, January 6: 10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

**STEAMispace**

Families and children ages 4 and up can explore different STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) projects designed to be worked on individually or in small groups. Participants will have hands on exposure to the STEAM activities and earn badges as they complete activities throughout the year.

Tuesday, January 9: 6 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Heart of Art Club - Art Print Paper Beads**

Join representatives from the Djapo Cultural Arts Institute for an enriching, interactive evening of traditional African drum and dance. This program is open to people of all levels of dance experience. Participants of all ages are welcome to show off your talent. Please wear comfortable clothing; jeans are not recommended. Snacks and bottled beverages are permitted.

Thursday, January 11: 6:30 p.m.

**Valentine Card**

4 p.m.

**Writers Group**

Write a fiction group, do you like to start? Join our fiction writing group and fine tune your skills! This group is for adults only.

Saturday, January 12: 2:30 p.m.-4:30 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.

Monday, January 15: 6 p.m.

**Community Art Project - Peace Rocks**

Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. s message of peace and love as a community by joining us and painting a peace rock to take home.

Tuesday, January 16: 2 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Community Change of Pace Book Discussion Group - Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer**

In April 1992, a young man named Christopher McCandless hitchhiked to Alaska and walked alone into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley. Four months later his body was discovered by a moose hunter. Read how McCandless came to die in the uncomplatable story. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion.

Thursday, January 18: 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Family Movie Night**

Families and kids of all ages, join us for movie at the library. Snacks and bottled beverages are permitted.

Saturday, January 20: 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**See the Art of War:**

Exhibit of Mt. McKinley. Four months later his body was discovered by a moose hunter. Read how McCandless came to die in the uncomplatable story. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion.

Wednesday, January 24: 6 p.m.

**DVD Discussion Group - Film Appreciation 101 - What Makes Film Art?**

Explore the components and about some of the finest films ever made and some of the finest performances to ever grace the big screen. Discover why certain films are considered classics, and learn about services available through the library’s website. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse.

Thursday, January 25: 9:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

**Family Kitchen Story Time**

Children ages 3-6 and their caregivers can join us for stories and songs. Then stay to create a tasty snack.

Tuesday, January 29: 6 p.m.

**Novel Explorers Book Club - Wonder**

Parents and children in grades 4-6, join us for snacks and a journey through the pages of Wonder by R.J. Palacio. Copies of the novel will be available for you to checkout and read before the program.

Wednesday, January 30: 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

**Music and Movement Story Time**

Children ages 3-6 and their caregivers can join us for stories, songs and dancing.

Thursday, January 31: 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

**Family Fun Time - Valentine Workshop**

Families and kids of all ages, join us to make a special Valentine card.

Sunday, February 1: 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

**Tweens and Teens**

Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can join us as we create delicious meals with just a mug and a microwave.

Tuesday, February 6: 6 p.m.

**Black History Month - Sub-Saharan African Art**

This Lorain County College Community program, presented by art history professor Sean Crum, will follow development of African art from its earliest beginnings during the ancient Nok and Benin cultures through the colonial period and into the 20th century.

Wednesday, February 7: 6 p.m.

**Family Time - Candy Chemistry**

Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can join us for fun experiments and make armpit fudge.

Thursday, February 8: 6 p.m.

**Grossology 101**

Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can join us for gross experiments and make armpit fudge.

Saturday, February 17: 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Individual Technology Help**

Call to schedule one on one help during this two hour window. If you have a new computer, phone or device, we are here to help you learn about and enjoy using them. We can also demonstrate electronic resources the library has to offer, such as movies, books, music and audiobooks. Need help setting up an email account or want to learn basic computer skills? Call today!

Monday, February 19: 6 p.m.

**Heart of Art Club - Art Print Paper Beads**

Families and kids ages 3 and up can join us to explore and reimagine famous art pieces from cave paintings to Kandinsky. Everyone will leave with unique, wearable art.

Thursday, February 20: 6:30 p.m.

**Change of Pace Book Discussion Group - Atonement by Ian McEwan**

On a hot summer day in 1935, 13-year-old Briony Tallis witnesses a moment’s flirtation between her older sister, Cecilia, and Robbie Turner, the son of a servant and Cecilia’s childhood friend. But Briony’s incomplete grasp of adult motives brings about a crime that will change their lives. Read the book and join us. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion.

Wednesday, February 21: 6 p.m.

**Novel Explorers Book Club - A Wrinkle in Time**

Parents and children in grades 4-6 are invited to join us for snacks and a journey through the pages of A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L’Engle. Copies of the novel will be available for you to checkout and read before the program.

Thursday, February 22: 6 p.m.

**Black History Month - Djobo African Drum and Dance Program**

Join representatives from the Djobo Cultural Arts Institute for an enriching, interactive evening of traditional African drum and dance. This program is open to people of all levels of dance and drum expertise. Let us come together to celebrate and to participate in this African art form.

Saturday, February 24: 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Excel for Beginners**

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel 2007, including how to set up a spreadsheet workbook, 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.

Saturday, February 24: 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Monday, February 26; 6 p.m.
Heart of Art- Community Art Show Reception
All ages are welcome to join us for a reception honoring those who contributed their artwork to the Heart of Art Community Art Show. Awards will be announced and light refreshments served.

Thursday, March 1; 6 p.m.—7 p.m.
Craft Madness
Forget Craft Madness! Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can show off their creative side by joining us for fun art projects.

Saturday, March 3; 11 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
Adult Paint Studio
Painting experience won’t be necessary at this simple, stress free session for adults. Branch Librarian Supervisor Cheryl Grizzell will guide you in creating a unique featured painting. Canvas, paints and brushes will be provided. Artists will take home their masterpieces. Wear appropriate clothing.

Tuesdays, March 6, 20, 27; 11 a.m.
Tai Chi for Arthritis
Are you one of the more than 50 million people in the U.S. who has arthritis, including pain, stiffness and the fear of falling? If so, you are invited to attend these sessions to learn coping techniques. Start your week off right and join us. Please wear loose clothing and comfortable shoes so you can participate in simple exercises.

Tuesday, March 6, 13; 1 p.m.—2 p.m.
The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia & Alzheimer’s
The Alzheimer’s Association provides basic information about memory loss issues.

Wednesday, March 7; 6 p.m.
Bookworms Book Club- Clover’s Luck
Parents and children in grades 1-3 join us for snacks and a journey through the pages of Clover’s Luck by Kallie George. Copies of the novel will be available for you to checkout and read before the program.

Thursday, March 8; 6 p.m.
A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History
Join Marty Gitlin, author of A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History at this fun and funny presentation for all ages. Marty will show cartoon snippets and talk about such legends as Bugs Bunny, Homer Simpson and SpongeBob SquarePants. He will also set up cartoon character games and explain the criteria he used to rank the best of the best.

Saturday, March 10; 1 p.m.
Self-Defense for Women
Participants will learn self-defense techniques that could be used if their safety is compromised. Instructor Michael Dancull is a karate black belt and the owner/operator of Tracy’s Karate Studio in Amherst, Ohio. This program is for women only.

Monday, March 12; 6 p.m.
Family Fun Time- Rainbow Mania
Families and kids of all ages, join us for a colorful, rainbow themed party.

Wednesday, March 14; 6 p.m.
Pi Day
Math enthusiasts all over the world celebrate pi on this numerical holiday. All ages are welcome to join us to complete some pi themed activities. And of course no pi day would be complete without pie!

Thursday, March 15; 6 p.m.—7 p.m.
Potato Bowling
Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can get into the St. Patrick’s Day spirit by joining us for potato bowling and other fun games.

Saturday, March 17; 2:30 p.m.—4:30 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.

Monday, March 18; 6 p.m.
Family Fun Time- Minerals Rock
Families and kids of all ages, join us for a rockin’ evening learning about minerals. Then go “mining” for some mineral samples to start your own rock collection and become official rock hounds and pebble pups.

Tuesday, March 20; 6:30 p.m.
Change of Pace Book Discussion Group- Killers of The Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and The Birth of The F.B.I. by David Grann
In the 1920s, someone began murdering members of the Osage Indian nation in Oklahoma. The FBI bungled the case, and in desperation the young director J. Edgar Hoover turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to unravel the mystery. Read the book and join us. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion.

Wednesday, March 21; 6 p.m.
Novel Explorers Book Club- The Wild Robot
Parents and children in grades 4-6 join us for snacks and a journey through the pages of The Wild Robot by Peter Brown. Copies of the novel will be available for you to checkout and read before the program.

Monday, March 26; 5:30 p.m.—6 p.m.
Easter EGGstravaganza Group 1
Families and kids age 10 and under join us for an egg hunt. Remember to bring a camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Monday, March 26; 6:30 p.m.—7 p.m.
Easter EGGstravaganza Group 2
Families and kids age 10 and under join us for an egg hunt. Remember to bring a camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Thursday, March 29; 6 p.m.—7 p.m.
Peeps-A-Palooza
Tweens and teens ages 10-14 can join us for all things Peeps®. Make a Peeps catapult, do some science experiments and make Peeps sushi.

Saturday, March 31; 2:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.
eMedia
Come learn how to use the library’s website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music. Also learn how to stream free movies and TV shows to your computer or TV. Get an overview of our eLibrary services, and learn how to get started enjoying them today. Plus learn how to take online courses for free using Gale Courses. Bring any questions and your devices.